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¶ A Booke of the Arte and maner
how to Plant and Graffe all sortes of
trees, how to set stones, and sowe Pepins,
to make wyldre trees to graffe on, as also re=
medies and medicines. VVith diuers other

newe practises, by one of the Aboep of
Saint Vincent in Fraunce, practised with
his owne handes, deuised into diuers
uen Chapters, as hereafter
more playnely shall app=
peare, wyth an
addition is
the

ende of this booke, of certayne Dutch practises,
set forth and Eng^lish'd, by Leo=
nard Mascall.



In laudem incisionis distichon,
Hesperidum Campi quicquid Romanae tellus,
Fructificat nobis, incisione datur.

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E Che wyght that willing is to knowe.
The way to graffe and plant.
May here finde plentie of that skill.
That erst hath bene but scant.
To plant or graffe in other times,
As well as in the spring;
I teach by good experience,
To doe an easie thing.
The pleasure of this skill is great,
The profite is not small;
To such men as will practise it,
In things mere naturall.
The poore man may with pleasure finde,
Some thing to helpe his meede,
So may the riche man reape some fruite,
Where erst he had but weede.
The noble man that needeth naught,
May thereby haue at wyl:
Such pleasaunt fruite to serue his vse,
And giue each man his fill.
The common weale cannot but winne,
Where eche man doth entende:
By skill to make the good fruites mo,
And yll fruites to amende.
Weigh well my wordes, and thou shalt finde,
All true that I doe tell:
Mine Authour doth not write by gesse,
Practise made him excell.
If thou wilt practise as he did,
Thou mayst finde out much more:
He hath not founde out all the truth,
That nature hath in store.

Farewell.

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To the Right honorable and my
very good Lorde, Sir Iohn Pawlet Knight,
Lorde S. Iohn : Leonarde Mascall wisheth
prosperous health, with continuall en-
crease of honour.



RIGHT honorable, among all Sciences that
may be lightly obtayned, and among many
goodly exercises and experiences for men,
there is none (among the reast) more meete
and requisite, or that more doth refresheth the
vitall spirites of men, nor more engender al-
miration in the effectes of nature, or that is
cause of greater recreation to the wearie and
traveyleyd spirit of man, or more profitable to mans lyfe, than is the
skill of planting and graffing, the which not onely we may see with
our eyes, but also feele with our handes in the secrete workes of na-
ture : yea, nothing more discovereth vnto vs the great & incompre-
hensible worke of God, that of one little Pepyn seede, Nat on small
plant, may come the selfe same Herbe or tree, and to bring forth in-
finite of the same fruit, which also doth shine and shew forth it selfe
vnto vs, especially in the Spring tyme, by their diuersitie of shootes,
blossoms, and buds, in diuers kindes of nature, by the goodnesse and
mightie power of the great Lorde and Creator towards his people,
in such thinges as commeth forth of the naturall earth, to nourishe,
to substayne and maintayne our lyues. What greater pleasure can
there be, than to smell the sweete odour of Herbes, trees, and fruits,
and to beholde the goodlye colour of the same, which in certayne
tymes of the yeare commeth forth of the Wombe of their mother,
and nourishe, and so to vnderstande the secrete operation in the same.
And to be short, of this labour (in our lyues) wee doe take part
therof with great gaynes and reuenues that come thereby, where as
through ydlenesse there commeth none : therefore to augment the
same, it shall be good to appease and mitigate all fonde delightes and
vayne pleasures, with such lyke vanities, and cleane put out and a-
bolish the delightes of all vices. Wherefore the Poet sayth : let vs
praise the true labouring houre of the true labourer Therevpo many
great Lordes and noble personages, haue left their theatres, pleasant

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stages, goodly pastimes, forsaking and despising their pleasures, not much regarding rich Diademes, and costly perfumes; but haue giuen themselves to Planting and Graffing, and such like. In such sort, that if we should diligently search, and recite all the discourse of ancient Histories, as of late dayes we should finde, that the most noble personages brough their vertue, both shewel many goodly examples, as in one Thea're a supreme degree honorable: nor haue but nothing more dewe, more requisite, or more greatly in commendation, than Planting & Graffing of fruit. Cyrus, a great king of the Persians (as witness Xenophon,) did so much delight in the Art of planting & graffing, (which did shew a great praise & glory vnto his personage) that he had no greater desire or pleasure, than when he might occupie himselfe in Planting & graffing to garnish the earth, to place and order thereon certaine number of trees. The Emperour Dioclesian, (as doth recite, Sextus Aurelius Victor,) of his owne good will without any constraint, did leaue the scepter of his Empire for to remaine continually in the fields. So much pleasure did he take in planting of fruit, in making of Orchardes and Gardens, which he did make, garnish, and finish with his owne hands. The Senators, Dictators, and Consuls of the Romayns, among all other things haue commended Planting and Graffing to be one of the most flourishing labours in this worlde for the common wealth, the which was celebrated and counted a great vertue: yea, they did so much esteeme it, that they did hang tables therof in diuers places, neuer thinking the time more aptly spent, than in Planting & Graffing, nothing more contenting themselves, nothing more delighted in any other assayes for the common wealth, than in setting, sowing or planting on the earth. How much we may praise of late dayes and commend our traualers from other countreys, it is easie to be perceyued and knowne: but of Lords, Gentlemen, and Merchants, which haue had (as it doth appeare) a great regarde in these latter dayes, how they might follow the example of others: Whereby it hath replenished this our realme with diuers straunge Plants, Herbes, and Trees, very good and necessarie for the common wealth, not before commonly knowne. And behold, about all laours (for the common wealth) we ought to giue assured and certayne iudgement, that Planting and Graffing is more highly

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highly to be commended and prayſed, than many other worthie and noble things in this worlde: for this Art bath not onely from tyme to tyme, bene put in vſe and praſtiſe of labour through Kin es and Princes: but alſo it bath bene put in writing of many great & worthie perſonages, in diuers kinde of languages, as in Greeke by Philomel'or, Hieron, Achelens, Orpheus, Muſceus, Homer, Hoſiode, Conſtantine, Ceſar: and in Latin, by Veron, Caton, Columellus, Pa'l'atius, Virgill, Amilius Macer, and in the Portingall tongue by King Atal'us and Mago, (the which reciteth the Hiſtories) that after their death, the bookes of Planting and Graſſing were brought to Rome, ſoone after the deſtruction of Carthage. Likewiſe how many ſince haue written onely of Zeale and lue for their countrey and common wealth, of the fruitfull Arte of Planting and Graſſing: yea of late dayes how many worthie men by their learning haue written likewiſe therof, ſhoulde ſeeme that it bath come from their auuceſters, as the greateſt honor, through the noble inuention of the ſame. Likewiſe I dare boldly affirme, not onely the learned haue written, but alſo haue bene praſtiſers and inuenter's of the ſame, (as I witneſſeth diuers Hiſtories) in diuers & many ſecret things, wherein I dare boldly ſay, they haue not learnedly, nor ſo exactly written, but they haue more exactly taught and left in writing thinges ſo certayne, that their ſucceſſours may eaſily marke, obſerue, and keepe the ſame: for euery one bath written according to the nature of his countrey. The Greekes for Greeke, the Barbarians for Barbarie, the Italians for Italiane, the Freache men for Fraunce. &c. Which writing without the order and praſtiſe, doth very ſmall profite for this our Rea'lme of Eng'lande, the which I can blame nothing more than the negli-gence of our nation, which bath had ſmall care heretofore in planting and Graſſing, in ſome places of this rea'lme (as I haue knowen) where as good and well diſpoſed haue graſſed, the euill and malicious perſon bath ſoone after deſtroyed them againe: but if we woulde endeour our ſelues therewith (as other countries doe,) we might ſurviſh, and haue many a ſtraunge kinde of fruit (which now we haue oftentimes the want thereof) that might greatly pleaſure and ſerue manye wayes both for the rich and poore, as well as in Greeke, Barbarie, Italy, or Fraunce, if our nation were giuen ſo well that way, as they are.

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Right honourable, for so much as I haue bene long in declaring of our predecessours, I will now leane, (troubling your honour any further) and rest from the other things accomplishing my desire, beseeching your Lordship to take this my simple traueyle in good part, requesting no other recompence for my payne herein, but wishing it might be put in a generall practise thorow this Realme, whereby in small tyme it woulde grow vnto a great profite and commoditie both to the rich and poore, wherein I shoulde thinke my selfe not onelye happie, but also to haue a iust tribute for my desertes, and also this Realme might thereby receyue no small benefite, with prayse of other countreys, in following our predecessours in this Arte of planting and grafting: some places of this Realme are greatly commended and praised among others, as Kent for the chiefeest, which vertue (not withstanding) can not be cleane put out or forgotten, specially, when such as your honour shall seeme to fauour the same, and also to see the forward dooings thereof, in such groundes & Lordships as ye doe possesse, the which at this time hath onely mooued me to attempt vnto your honour this my simple traueyle, which is not the only dutie that I owe vnto your honour, but as a dew desert, not thinking my selfe halfe able to recōpence your vertuous liberallitie, nor shewing other wayes howe to recompence the same, hath boldned me at this tyme to commend this my simple and rude worke vnto your Lordship, not according vnto your estate and honour, the which had bene more meete and requisite to haue had the finishing of some better worke. Therefore beseeching your honour to wey and accept this mine intent and good will herein, which thing so dooing,

I shall thinke my selfe not onely happie, but it shall encourage me the more hereafter to take in hande the

lyke or letter worke. Thus I beseeche the

almightie God and creator, to

increase your prosperous

honour, with

long life in

health.

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Gentle Reader thou shalt binderstand,
I haue taken out of diuers Authours
this simple worke, into our English
tongue, praying thee for to accept it in
good part: in so doing thou shalt bol-
den me to traueyle further therein: and thus shew-
ing my good will in declaring of diuers wayes of
planting and grassing, & how in the moost times
of the yeare, with shewing of diuers commodities
and secretes herein, howe to set or plant with the
roote, and wythout the roote. Howe to sow or set
Peppyns or curnelles, with the ordering thereof.
Also howe to dense your grasses and cyons, howe
to helpe barren and sicke trees, howe to kill wor-
mes and vermin, and to preserve and keepe fruit:
how to plant and proyne your Vines, and to ga-
ther and presse your grape: how to dense & mosse
your trees, how to make your Syder and Berry,
how to set, choose, order and keepe Hoppes, with
many other secrete practises, which shall appeare
in the table following, that euery person may easi-
ly perceyue in these our dayes more largely of the
Art of planting and grassing than heretofore hath
bene shewed. Which thing is not an exercise onely
to the mynde, but likewise a great profite many
waies, with maintenance of health vnto the body.
Therefore spare not the bodie to vset so great
goodnesse thereunto, and also to the Common
wealth. In these dayes (among the rest) yee may
see manye, which be of the base and abiect sort of
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the common wealth, as those which will not sicke
to say. Ife on the same, what thing is now coun-
ted moze filthy in these dayes (among saye per-
nages) than labouring of the earth, which we must
all live by. Well, these be dainty persons: yet ther-
unto, what thing is moze beautifull to the eye,
moze profitable to the purse, or moze healthfull
unto the body: and herein to put away all nour-
ishing of vice and ydlenesse, it is easie to recite infi-
nite and manye worthy Lordes and Gentlemen,
which have had a great care to follo-w the example
of others. Where, ore, gentle Reader, let vs nowe
leane off from all wanton games & ydle pastimes,
and be no more as children which seeke but theyr
owne gayne & pleasure, let vs therefore take one
of vs for an other in all good workes for the com-
mon wealth, whereby those that doe come after
vs may so enioye our workes and travell herein,
as we have done of our predecessours, that therein
God may be glorified, prayesd and honoured in
all our workes of planting and grafting:
and we therefore may be thankfull,
from age to age, during
this mortall lyfe.
Amen.



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The Table of all the principall things

contayned in this booke, which ye shall
hereafter finde by number and lease.

¶ Of the seauen Chapters following.

¶ The first Chapter treateth of the setting of Curnelles, of
Apple trees, Plum trees, Pearre trees, and Service trees.

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How to vse the earth to sow your pepines on.	2
How to see vnto pultrype for marring your beddes, and how to swade or cleanse your beddes or quarters.	2
How to plucke by the wyldc Cyons.	3

¶ The seconde Chapter treateth, how to set your wilde trees
come of Pepyns, when they be first plucked vp.

How to dung your wyldc trees come of Pepynes.	3
How to cut the principall rootes in setting agayne.	3
How to set your trees in rancke being yong.	4
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which come of Nuttes.

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Prayses be to God on hye,
 In all our worldly planting:
 And let vs thanke the Romaynes also,
 For the Arte of Grassing.

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¶ An exhortation to the
Planter and Graffer.



Alwayes before ye do intende to plant
oz graffe, it shall be meete to haue
good experience in thinges meete for
this Art, as in knowing the Natures
of all trees and fruites, and the diffe-
rences of Clymates, which be contrarie in euerie
lande: also to vnderstand the East & West windes,
with aspectes and Starres, to the ende ye may
beginne nothing that the winde oz rayne may op-
presse, that your labour be not lost, and to marke
also and consider the disposition of the elementes
that present yeare, for all yeares be not of lyke o-
peration, nor yet after one sort, the Sommer and
Winter do not beare one face on the earth, nor the
spring tyme alwayes rayny, oz Autumne alwayes
maynt: of this none haue vnderstanding, without
a good and liuely marking spiritie, fewe oz none
(without learning) may discerne of the varieties
and qualities of the earth, and what he doth aske
oz refuse. Therefore it shall be good to haue vn-
derstanding of the grounde where ye do plant, ey-
ther Orcharde oz garden with fruit: first it beho-
ueth to make a sure defence, to the ende, that not
onely rude persons and childzen may be kept out,
but all kinde of hurtfull cattell in daunging your
plantes oz trees, as Oren, Wyne, Calues, Hozle,
Hogges and sheepe, as the rubbing of sheepe doth
greatly burne the sappe, and often doth kylle young
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treēs and plantes, and where they are broken or
bruised with cattell, it is doubtfull to grow after. It
shall be good also, to set, plant or graffe trees all of
lyke nature and strength together, that the great
and hye trees, maye not overcome the lowe and
weake, for when they be not lyke of heygth, they
growe, nor rype not your fruit so well at one time
but the one before the other: that earth which is
good for Wyndes, is good also for other fruite. Ye
must digge your holes a yere before ye plant, that
the earth may be the better seasoned, mortified &
waxe tender, both by rayne in Winter, and heate
in Sommer, that thereby your plantes maye take
roote the sooner, if ye will make your holes, and
plant both in a yere, at the east, ye ought to make
your holes two monethes before ye plant, and as
soone as they be made, then it shall be good to burne
of straw or such lyke therin, to make your ground
warne: the further ye make them a sunder the
the better your trees shall beare: make your holes
lyke unto a fornaice, that is, more straght in the
mouth than beneath, whereby the rootes may haue
the more roome, & by straghtnesse of the mouth, the
lesse rayne or colde shall enter by in Winter, and
also lesse heate to the roote in Sommer. Look al-
so that the earth ye put to the rootes be neyther wet
nor layde in water: they doe commonly leaue a
good space betwixt euery tree, for the hanging
betwix, for being nygh togyther, ye can not set
rootes, nor sowe nothing so well vnder your trees,
nor they will not beare fruit so well: some loweth
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and Graffers.

fourtie foote, some thirtie betwæne euery fræ: your plantes ought to be greater than the handle of a shouell, & the lesser the better: sê they be straight, without knots, oz knobbes, hauing a long straight grayne oz barke, which shall the sower be apt to take grasses, and when ye set bzanches oz boughs of olde træs, chouse the yongest & straytest bzaunch thereof, and those træs which haue borne yearely good fruite before, take of those which bæ on the sunnie side, sower thã those that grow in the couert oz shadowe, and when ye take hyppè oz alter your plantes, ye shall note to what windes your plant is subiect, and so let them be set agayne, but those which haue growne in dry groundes, let them be set in moyst ground: your plantes ought to be cut of threæ foote long. If ye wyll sette two oz threæ plantes together in a hole, ye must take hærde the roote of one touche not one an other, for then the one will perissh and rot the other, oz die by woormes oz other harmen, and when ye haue placed your plantes in the earth, it shall bæ good to stryke downe to the bottom of euery hole ij. short stakes as great as your arme, on eyther syde your hole one, and let them appeare but a little aboue the earth that ye may (therby in sommer) gyre water vnto the rootes if nêede be. Your young plantes, and rooted træs are commonly set in Autumne, from the first vnto the xv. of October, yet some opinion is, better after Allhallowtide vnto Christsmasse, than in the spring, because the earth wyll dye to sowne after, and also to set plantes without

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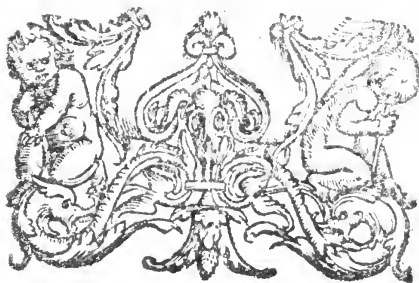
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ter mollifie and gather roote agaynst the spring,
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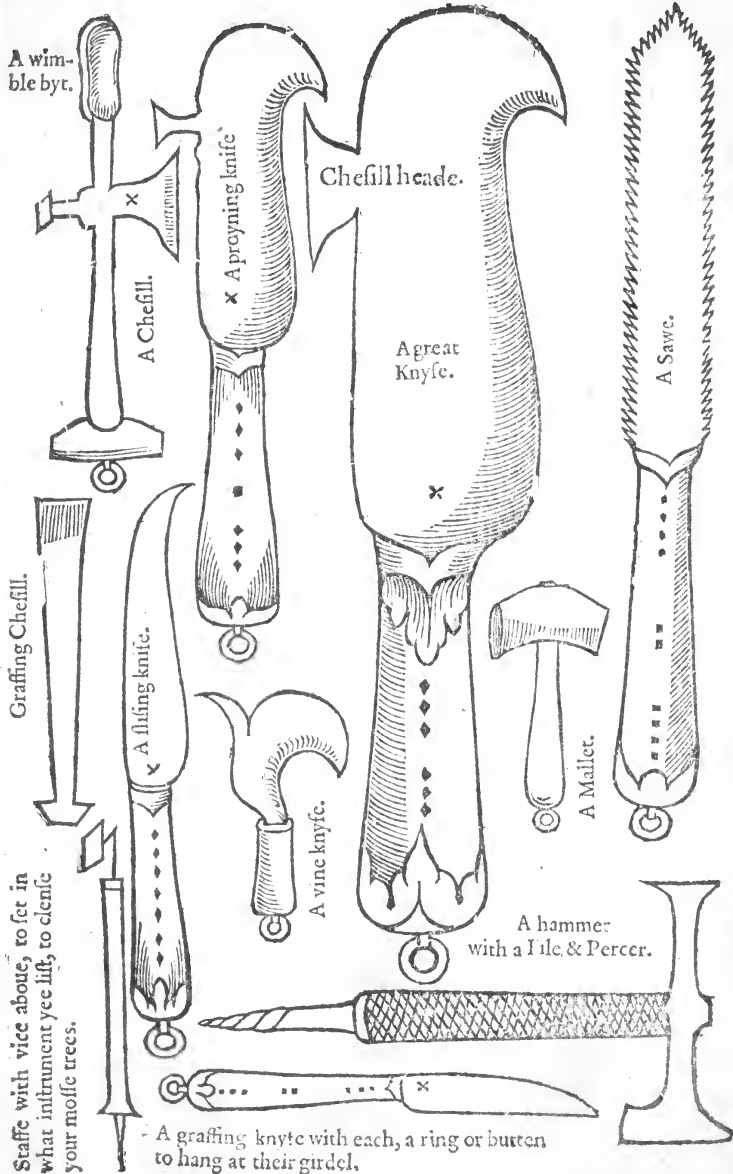
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The first Chapter.

¶ This Chapter treateth of the setting of Curnels,
young Plum trees and Peare trees, of Damsons
and Seruice trees.



DO to make young trees of the Depins, of Apples, Peares, Plummes and Seruice. First ye must prepare and make a great bedde or quarter well replenished, blende or mixt with good fat earth, and placed well in the sunne, and to be well laboured and digged a good tyme before you doe occupie it: and if ye can by any meanes, let it be digged very deepe the Winter before, in blinding or mixing it well together with good fat earth, or else to be mired almost the halfe with good dung: & so let it rot and ripe together with the earth. And see alwayes that plot be cleane vnto the pressing of Syder, that no wilde cions or plantes bee spring or grow thereon. Then in the moneth of September, December, or thereabouts, take of the Depins, or Bomes of the sayde fruite at the first pressing out of your licour, before the Curnels be marred or bzused: then take out of them, and rubbe a few at once in a cloth, and dry them betwixt your handes, and take so manye thereof as you shall thinke good: then make your bedde square, sayre and playne, and solwe your seedes thereon, then take and couer them wyth a rake lightly, or with earth, not putting to much earth bypon them. This done, deuide your beddes into quadrantes or squares of foure foote bzode or thereabout, that when ye lyst ye may cleanse them from the one syde to the other, wythout treading thereon. Then shall ye couer your seedes or Depins wyth fine earth, so sisting all ouer them, that then they maye take the deeper and surer rote, and wyll

wyll kepe them the better in winter so lowing, and if ye like ye may rake them a little all ouer: so that ye rase not your Pepins aboute the earth.

Another way howe one may take the Pepins at the first coming of the licour or preling.

Which is: ye shall chose the greatest and fayrest curuels of Pepins, and take them forth at the first brasing of your fruit, then dyle them with a cloth, and keepe them all the winter untill S. Andrews tide: then a little after sowe them in good earth, as thinne as ye doe sowe Peason, and then rake them ouer as the other.

How one ought to vse his earth to sow Pepins without dunging.

It in this maner of doing (in the spring) it is not so great neede for to rase or digge the earth so deepe as that which is lunged in Winter: but to deuide your quarters, in couering your Pepins not so much with earth as those which be sowne with good dung, but when ye haue sowne them, a little rake them all ouer.

How ye ought to take heede of pultrie for scraping of your beddes or quarters.

As sone after as your Pepins be sowne bypon your beddes or quarters, let this be done, one way or other, that is, take good heede that your hennies doe not scrape your beddes or quarters, therefore sticke them all ouer light and thinne with bowes, or thrones, & take good heede also to swine, and other cattell.

How to weede or cleanse your beddes and quarters.

As when the Winter is past and gone, and that ye see your Pepins ryse and grow: so let them encrease the space of one yære, but see to cleanse weedes, or other things which may hurt them, as ye shall see cause And in the summer when it shall ware drye, water them hardly in the euenings.

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How one ought to plucke vp the wilde cions.

And when these wilde cions shall be great, as of the growth of one yeare, ye must then plucke them vp all in the winter following, before they doe beginne to spring agayne. Then shall ye set them and make of them a wilde Orchard as folioweth.

The seconde Chapter treateth how one

shall set agayne the small wilde trees, which come of Pepins, when they be first pluckt vp.



Of the bastarde or little wilde trees incontinent a tyme as they be pluckt vp, ye must haue of other good earth well trimmed and dinged & to be well in the sunne, and well prepared and dyed, as it is sayde in the other part before of the Pepins.

How to dung your bastard or wilde young trees which come of Pepins.

About Aduent before Christmas, ye must digge and dung well the place where as ye will set them, and make your square of earth even and playne, so large as ye shall thinke good, then set your wilde trees so farre one fro another as ye thinke mete to be graft, so that they may be set in even ranks and in good order, that when neede shall require, ye may remoue or renue any of them or any part thereof.

How ye ought in replanting or setting to cut of in the middes the principall great rootes.

If what part so euer ye doe set any trees, ye must cut of the great mayster rote, within a fote of the stocke, and all other bigge rootes, so that ye leaue a fote long thereof, and so let them be set, and make your ranks crossewyle one from another halfe a fote, or therabouts, and ye must also see that there be of good dunge moze deepe and lower than ye do set your trees, to comfort the sayd roots withall.

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¶ How you oughte to set your trees in rancke.

Ye shall set your small young trees in ranckes, halfe a large fote one from an other : & let them be couered as ye doe set them, with good fat earth all ouer the rootes.

¶ How to make the space from one rancke to an other.

Ye shall leaue betwene your ranckes, from one ranke to an other, one fote, or there abouts, so that ye may passe betwene euery rancke for to cleanse them if neede require, and also for to graffe any part or parcell thereof when tyme shall be made. But ye must note, in making thus your ranckes, ye shall make so many alies as ranckes. And if ye thinke it not good to make so many alies, then diuide those into quarters of five fote bread or thereabouts, and make & set foure ranckes (in eche quarter of the same) one fote from an other, as ye vse to set great Cabbage. And as soon after as ye haue set them in ranckes and in good order as is aforesayde, then shall ye cut of all the sets euen by the grounde. But in thus doinge see that ye doe not plucke vp or lose the earth which is about them : or if ye will, ye may cut them before ye doe set them in ranckes. If ye doe so, see that ye set them in such good order, and euen with the earth, as is aforesayde. And it shall suffice also to make your ranckes as ye shall see cause. And looke that ye furnishe the earth all ouer with good dung, without mingling of it in the earth, nor yet to couer the sayde plantes withall, but strowed betwixt : and ye must also looke well to the cleansing of weeds, grasse, or other such thinges which will be a hurt to the growth of the plantes.

¶ How to water plantes when they waxe drye.

It shall be good to water them when the tyme is drye : in the first yere. Then when they haue put forth of newe rions, leaue no more growing but that rion which is the principall and saydest, vpon euery stocke one : all the other cut of harde by the stocke : and euer as there doe grow small twigges about the stocke, ye shall (in the moneth of Marche

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Marche and Aprill cut them all of hande by the stocke. And if ye then sticke by curry plant a pretie wand, and so binde them with Willowe barkke, byper, or others, it shall profit them much in their growth. Then after sixe or seve peares growth, when they be so bigge as your finger, or thereabouts, ye may then remoue any of them whereas ye will haue them grow and remaine.

¶ How one ought to remoue trees, and to plant them agayne.

The maner how ye ought to remoue trees, is shewed in the first Chapter following: then about two or thre peares after they remouing, ye shall graffe them, for then they will be the better rooted. As for the others which ye leaue still in ranches, ye may also graffe them where as they stande, as ye shall see cause good. When ye haue plucked vp the sayrest to plant in other places (as is aforesayde) also the maner how to graffe them, is shewed in the first Chapter following. But after they shall be so graft, in what place so euer it be, ye shall not remoue or set them in other places agayne, untill the graffes be well closed vpon the heade of the wilde stocke.

¶ When the best tyme is to replant or remoue.

When the head of the stocke shall be all ouer closed about the graffes, then ye may when ye will, transplant and remoue them (at a due tyme) where they shall continue. For with often remouing ye shall doe them great hurt in their roots, & be in daunger to make them die.

¶ Of negligence and forgetfulness.

If peradventure ye forget (through negligence) and haue let small cions two or thre peares grow about the roots of your stockes unplucked vp, then if ye haue so done, ye may well plucke them vp and set them in ranches, as the other of the pepins. But ye must set the ranks more larger that they may be remoued without hurting of eche others

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rootes : and cut of all the small twigs about as néede shall requyre, though they be set or grafted. Order them also in all things as those small cions of a yeares growth.

It is not so conuenient to graffe the Seruice tree,
as to set him.

WHere as ye shall see young Seruice trees, it shall be most profit in setting them, for if ye doe graffe them, I beleue ye shall winne nothing thereby. The best is only to plucke by the yong bastard trees when they are as great as a good walking staffe : then proync or cut of their bzaunches and cary them to set wheras they may be no more remoued : and they shall profit more in setting than grafting.

Some trees without grafting bring forth good fruit,
and some other being grafted be better to
make Syder of.

It is here to be marked that though the pepins be sowen of the pomes of Peares and good Apples : yet ye shall finde that some of them do leue the tree wherof they came : and these be right, which haue also a smooth barke, and as fayre as those which be grafted : the which if ye plant or set them thus growing from the maister roote without grafting, they shall bring as good fruit, euen lyke vnto the Pepin wherof he first came. But there be other new sorts commonly good to cate, which be as good to make Syder of, as those which shall be grafted for that purpose.

When you lyst to augment and multiply your trees.

After this sort ye may multiplie them, being of diuers sorts and diuersities, as of Peares or Apples, or such lyke. Notwithstanding, whensoever you shall finde a good tree thus come of the Pepin, as is aforesayde, so let all ye vse hym. But if ye will augment trees of ih. miscues, ye must take graffes, and so graffe them.

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Of the maner and chaunging of the fruit of the Pepin tree.

When so euer ye doe replant or chaunge your Pepin trées from place to place, in so remouing of ten the stocke, the fruit thereof shall also change : but the fruit which doth come of graffing, doth alwayes keepe the forme and nature of the trée whereof he is taken : for as I haue sayde, as often as the Pepin trées be remoued to a better ground, the fruit thereof shall be so much amended.

How one ought to make good Syder.

Here is to be noted if ye will make good Syder of what fruit so euer it be, being Peares or Apples, but specially of good Apples, and wilde fruite, haue alwayes a regard vnto the ryping thereof, so gathered ripe, then put them in dry places, on bozdes in heapes, couered with dry straw, and whensoever ye will make Syder thereof, chouse out all those which are blacke bruised, and rotten Apples, and trow them away, then take and vse the rest for Syder : But here to giue you vnderstanding, doe not as they doe in the countrey of Mēns, which do put their fruit gathered, into the middes of their garden, in the raine and misellings, vpon the bare earth, which will make them to lose their force and vertue, and doth make them also withered and tough, and lightly a man shall neuer make good Syder that shall come to any purpose or good profit thereof.

To make an Orchard in fewe yeares.

Some doe take yong straight stippes, which doe growe from the rootes, or of the sides of the Appletrées, about Michaelemasse, and doe so plant or set them (with Dices) in good ground, where as they shall not be remoued, and so graffe, (being well rooted) thereon. Other some doe take and set them in the spring time (after Christmas) in like wyse, and doe graffe thereon when they be well rooted: and both wayes doe spring well.

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And this maner of way is counted to haue an Orcharde the sonest. But these trees will not endure past twentie or thirtie yeares.

¶ The thirde Chapter is of

setting trees of Nuttes.

¶ How one ought to set trees which come of Nuttes.



E Or to set trees which come of Nuttes: when ye haue eaten the fruite, looke that ye keepe the stones and curnels thereof, then let them be dzyed in the winde, without the bebenie of the sunne, so reserue them in a bore, and vse them as before.

¶ Of the tyme when ye ought to plant or set them.

Ye shall plant or set them in the beginning of Winter, or afore Michaelmasse, whereby they may the soner spring out of the earth. But this maner of setting is daungerous: for the Winter then comming in, and they being yong and tender in comming by, the colde will kill them. Therefore it shall be best, to stay and reserue them till after Winter. And then before ye doe set them, ye shall soke or steape them in milke, or in milke and water, so long till they doe stinke therein: then shall ye dzy them and set them in good earth in the chaunge or increase of the Moone: with the small ende byward, foure fingers deepe, then put some sticke thereby, to marke the place.

¶ For to set them in the Spring tyme.

If ye will plant or set your Nuttes in the Spring tyme, where ye will haue them still to remaine and not to be remoued, the best and most easie waye is, to set in euery such place (as ye thinke good) three or foure Nuttes nigh together, and when they doe all spring by, leaue none standing but the saydest.

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¶ Of the dunging and deepe digging thereof.
ALl so where as ye shall thinke good, ye may plant or set
all your nuttes in one square or quarter together, in
good earth and dunged in such place and tyme, as they vse
to plant. But see that it be well dunged, and also digged
good and deepe, and to be well maddled wth good dung
throughout, then set your nuttes thre fingeres deepe in the
earth, and halfe a foote one from another: ye shall water
them often in the Sommer, when there is drye weather,
and see to weede them, and digge it as ye shall see neede.

¶ Of Nuttes and stones lyke to the trees
they came of.

It is here to be noted, that certayne kindes of nuts, and
Curnelles which doe loue the trees, wherof the fruite is
lyke vnto the tree they came of, when they be planted in
good ground, and set well in the sunne, which be: the wal-
nuts, chestnuttes, all kinde of peaches, figges, almondes,
and abyrcotes, all these doe loue the trees they came of.

¶ Of the planting the sayde nuttes in good earth
and in the Sunne.

ALl the sayde trees doe bring as good fruite of the sayde
Nuttes, if they be well planted, and set in good earth,
and well in the Sunne, as the fruite and trees they first
came of.

¶ Why fruit shall not haue so good saueur.

For if ye plant good nuttes, good peaches, or figges in a
garden full of shadowe, the which hath afoze leued the
Sunne, as the vine doth, for lacke thereof, theyr fruit shall
not haue so good saueur, although it be all of one fruit: and
lykewyse so it is wth all other fruite and trees, for the
goodnesse of the earth, and the sayde Sunne, doth preserve
them much.

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To set the Pine tree.

For to set the Pyne tree, ye must set or plant them of Nuttes, in Marche, or about the the lot of the sappe, not lightly after; ye must also set them where they may not be remoued after, in holes well digged, and well dunged not to be transplanted or remoued agayne, for very hardly they will shew forth cions, being remoued, specially if ye hurt the maiuer roote thereof.

¶ For to set Cherry trees.

For to set solye Cheries which doe grow commonly in Gardens, ye shall vnderstande they may well grow of stones, but better it shalbe to take of the small cions which doe come from the great rotes: then plant them, and sooner shall they grow than the stones, and those cions must be set when they are small, yong and tender: as of two, or thre yeares growth, for when they are great, they profite not so well: and when ye set them, ye must see to cut of all the bowes.

¶ Trees of bastard and wilde Nuttes.

There be other sortes of Nuttes, although they be well set in good ground, & also in the Swame, yet will they not bring halfe so good fruite as the other, nor commonly like vnto those nuttes they came of, but to be a bastarde wilde solye fruit, which is the Fylbert, small Nuttes, of Plums, of Cheries, and the great Abzicots: the refoze if ye will haue them good fruite, ye must set them in maner and soyme following.

¶ How to set Filberdes or Hasell trees.

For to set Filberdes or Hasels, and to haue them good, take the small wandes that growe out from the roote of the Filbarde or Hasell tree (with short heary twigges) and set them, and they shall bring as good fruite as the tree they came off: it shall not be needfull to propne, or cut of the bzaunches thereof when ye set them, if they be not great: but those that ye doe set, let them be but of two or thre yeares

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peares growth, and if ye shall see those cions which ye haue planted, not to be sayze and good, or doe grow and prosper not well, then (in the spring tyme) cut them of harde by the roote, that other small cions may grow thereof.

¶ To set Damsons or Plum trees.

If setting Damsons or plum trees, which fruit ye would haue lyke to the trees they came off: if the sayde trees be not graft befoze, ye shall take onely the cions that growe frō the roote (of the olde stocke) which groweth with small twigs, and plant or set them: and their fruit shall be like vnto the trees they were taken off.

¶ To take Plum graffes, and to graffe them on other plum trees,

And if your Plum trees be graft alreadie, and haue the lyke fruite that you desire, ye maye take your graffes thereof, and graffe them on your Plum trees, and the fruit that shall come thereof, shall be as good as the fruit of the cion which is taken from the roote, bycause they are much of lyke effect.

¶ To set all sortes of Cherries.

To set all sortes of great Cherries, and others: ye must haue the graffes of the same trees, and graffe them on other Cherie trees, although they be of a sower fruit, and when they are so graft, they will be as good as the fruit of the tree whereof the graffe was taken: for the stones are good, but to set to make wilde cions, or plants, to graffe on.

¶ The maner how one may order both plum trees, and Cherrie trees.

Fo so much as these are two kinde of trees, that is, to vnderstande, the Cherrie, and the Plum tree, for when they be so graft, theyz rotes be not so good, nor so free as the bzaunches aboue, wherefoze the cions that doe come fro the roots, shall not make so good and franke trees of. It is therefore to be vnderstode, how the maner and sort is to make franke trees, that may put forth good cions in time to come, which is: when they be great and good, then if ye will

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take those cions or yong springes from the rootes, ye maye make good trees therof, and then it shall not neede to graffe them any more after : but to augment one by the other, as ye do the cions from the roote of the nutte, as is also sayde, and ye shall doe as followeth.

¶ How to graffe Plum trees and Cherry trees.

Ye may well graffe Plum trees, & great Cherry trees, in such good order as ye list to haue them, and as hereafter shall be declared in the fifth Chapter following : for these woulde be graffed while they are yongue and small, and also graft in the grownde, for thereby one maye dresse and trim them the better, and put but one graffe in eche stocke of the same. Cleaue not the heart, but a little on the one side, nor yet deepe, or long open.

¶ How ye must proyne or cut your trees.

For when your graffes be well taken on the stocke, and that the graffes doe put forth faire and long, about one yeres growth, ye must proyne, or cut the bzaunch of commonlye in winter, (when they proyne their Aines.) a fote lower, to make them speed the better : then shall ye meddle all the roome with good fatte earth, the which will dresse the better to the place which ye haue so proynd or cut.

¶ The conuenientest way to cleanse and proyne, or dresse the rootes of trees.

And for the better cleansing and proyning trees beneath, is thus : ye shall take away all the woodes, and graffe about the rootes, then shall ye digge them so rounde about, as ye woulde seeme to plucke them vpp, and shall make them halfe bare, then shall ye enlarge the earth about the rootes, and where as ye shall see them grow faire, and long, place or couthe them in the sayde hole and earth agayne : then shall ye put the cut ende of the tree where he is graft, somewhat more lower than his rootes were, whereby by cions.

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cions so graft, shall spring so much the better.

¶ When the stocke is greater than the graffes.

When as the tree wareth or swelleth greater beneath the graffing, than aboue: then shal ye cleue the roots beneath, and wycath them round: and so couer them again. But see ye breake no roote therof, so will he come to perfection. But most men doe vse this way: if the stocke were greater than the graffes, they doe slit downe the barche of the graffes aboue, in two or thre partes, or as they shall see cause thereof, and so likewise, if the graffes were greater aboue than the stocke, ye shall slitte downe the stocke accordingly, with the edge of a sharpe knife. This maye well be done at any tyme in Marche, Aprill and Maye, in the crease of the Pone, and not lightly after.

¶ The Remedie when any bough or member of a tree is broken.

If ye shall chaunce to haue boughes or members of trees broken, the best remedye shall be, to place those bolues or members right sone againe, (then shall ye comfort the rootes wyth good newe earth) and binde fast those broken bolues or members, both aboue and beneath, & so let them remayne vnto another yeare, till they maye close and put forth of newe cions.

¶ When a member or bough is not broken, howe to proyne them.

Where as ye shall see vnder or aboue superfluous bolues: ye may cut or proync off, (as ye shall see cause) all such bolues harde by the tree, at a due tyme, in the winter folowing. But leaue all the principall branches, and whereas any are broken, let them be cut off beneath, or else by the ground, and cast them away: thus must ye do yearly, or as ye shall see cause, if ye will keepe your trees well and sayre.

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¶ Howe one ought to enlarge the hole about the tree rootes.

In prouyning your trées if there be many rootes, ye must enlarge them in the hole, and so to weath them as is aforesayde, and to vse them without breaking, then couer them agayne wpyth good fat earth, which ye shall mingle in the sayde hole, and it shall be best to be digged all ouer a litle before, and see that no bzaunche or roote be left vncouered, and when ye haue thus dzeised your trées, if any roote shall put forth or spring hereafter out of the sayde holes, in growing, ye may so prouyne them as ye shall see cause, in letting them so remayne two or thre yeares after, vnto such time as the sayde graffes be sprung vp and well bzanchched.

¶ How to set small staues by to strengthen your cyons.

Tauoyde daunger, ye shall set or pricke small staues about your cyons, for feare of breaking, and then after thre or foure yeares, when they be well bzanchched: ye may then set or plant them in good earth, (at the beginning of Winter) but see that ye cut of all their small bzanches harde by the stocke, then ye maye plant them where ye thinke good, so as they may remayne.

¶ In taking vp trees, note.

Ye may well leaue the mayster roote in the hole (when ye digge him vp) if the remoued place be good for him, cut of the maister rootes by the stubbe, but pare not of all the small rootes, and so plant him, and he shall profite moze thus, than others with all theyr maister rootes. When as trées be great, they must be disbzanchched or bolues cut of, before they be set agayne, or else they will hardly prosper. If the trées be great, hauing great bzanches or bolues, when ye shall digge them vp ye must disbzanch them afoze ye set them agayne, for when trées shall be thus prouyned they

they shall bring great Cyons from their rootes, which shall be franke and good to replant, or set in other places, and shall haue also good bzaunches and rootes, so that after it shall not neede to graffe them any moze, but shall continue one after another to be frée and good.

¶ How to couche the rootes when they are proyned.

In setting your trées agayne, if ye will dresse the rootes of such as ye haue proyned, or cut of the bzaunches before, ye shall leaue all such small roots which grow on the great roote, and ye shall so place those rootes in replanting againe not deepe in the earth, so that they may soone growe, and put forth cions: which being well bled, ye may haue fruit so good as the other afore mencioned, being of thre or foure yeares growth, as afore is declared.

¶ What trees to proyne.

This waye of proyning is moze harder for the great Cherry (called healmier) than for the plum trée. Also it is very requisit and méete for those cyons or trées which be graft on the wilde solwe Cherry trée, to be proyned also, for diuers and sundrie causes.

¶ Why the fower cherry dureth not so long as the healmier or great cherry.

The wilde and solwe cherry, of his owne nature will not so long tyme endure, (as the great healmie chery,) neyther can haue sufficient sappe to nourish the graffes, as the great healmie cherry which is graft, therefore when ye haue proyned the bzaunches beneath, and the rootes also, so that ye leaue rootes sufficient to nourish the trée, then set him. If ye cut not of the vnder rootes, the trée wyll profite moze easier, and also lighter to be knowne when they put forth cyons, from the roote of the same, the which ye may take hereafter.

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To graffe one great Cherrie vpon anothr.

Ye must haue respect vnto the healine Cherrie, which is graft on the wilde goynye (which is another kynde of great Cherrie) & whether you doe proyne them or not, it is not materiall: for they dure a long time. But ye must see to take away the cions that doe growe from the roote of the wilde goynye, or wilde Plum tree: bicause they are of nature wilde, and doe dyaue the sap from the sayde tree.

¶ Of deepe setting or shalow.

To set your stocks or trees somewhat deeper on the hig groundz than in the valleyes, bicause the Sunne (in Sommer) shall not dyaue the roote: and in the low groundes more shaliow, bicause the water in winter shall not droune or annoy the rootes. Some doe marke the stocke in takyng it vp, and to set him againe the same way, bicause he will not alter his nature: so likewise the graffes in grafting.

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to set other trees which come of wilde cyons pricked in the earth without rootes: and also of proyning the meaner cyons.

¶ Trees taking roote prickt of braunches.



Here be certayne which take roote, being pricked of braunches proyned of other trees, which be, the Mulberrie, the fig tree, the Quince tree, the Seruice tree, the Pomegranad tree, the Apple tree, the Damson tree and diuers sorts of other Plum trees, as the Plum tree of Paradise, &c.

¶ Howe one ought to set them.

For to set these sortes of trees, ye must cut of the cions, twigges or boughes, betwixt Alhallowtide and chylismasse, not lightly after. We shall chosse them which bee as
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beneath, neither of one ſide or other: then poyne or cut off
the branches, and prycke them one fote deepe in the earth,
well digged and ordered befoze.

¶ How to binde them that be weake.

Thoſe plantes which be ſlender, ye muſt poyne or cut of
the branches, then bind them to ſome ſtake or ſuch like
to be ſet in good earth and well medled with good dung, and
alſo to be well and deepe digged, and to be ſet in a moyſt
place, or elſe to be well watred in Sommer.

¶ Howe one ought to digge the earth
for to ſet them in.

And when that ye woulde ſet them in the earth, ye
muſt firſt prepare to digge it, and dung it well thoro
out a large fote deepe in the earth. And when as ye will
ſet them euery one in his place made (befoze) with a crowe
of yron, and ſo to make them take roote the better, ye ſhall
put with your plantes, or watered otes, or barley, and ſo ye
ſhall let them growe the ſpace of thre or foure yeare, or
when they ſhall be well branched, then ye may remoue the,
and if ye breake of the old ſtubby roote and ſet them lower,
they will laſt a long time the moze. If ſome of thoſe plantes
do chance to put forth cions from the roote, and being ſo
rooted, ye muſt plucke them by though they be tender, and
ſet them in other places.

Of Cions without rootes.

If that the sayde plantes haue of Cyons without rootes, but which come from the tree roote beneath, then cut them not off till they be of two or three yeares growth, by that tyme, they will gather of rootes to be replanted in other places.

¶ To Plant the Figge tree.

The sayde plantes taken of figge trees grafted, bee the best: ye may likewise take other sortes of figge trees, and graffe one vppon the other, for lyke as vpon the wilde trees doe come the Depins, cuen so the figge, but not so sone to prosper and growe.

¶ Howe to set Quinces.

Likewise the nature of Quinces is to spring, if they be Lpricked (as aforesayde) in the earth, but sometimes they haue grafted with great difficultie (saith mine authour) vppon a white thorne, and it hath taken, and borne fruite to looke on, saye, but in taste more weaker than the other.

¶ The way to set Mulberies.

There is also another waye to set Mulberies as followeth, which is, if you doe cut in winter certayne great Mulberye bowes, or stockes, a sunder in the bodye (wyth a sawe) in troncheons a fote long or more, then ye shall make a great furrowe in good earth, well, and deepe, so that ye may couer well againe your troncheons, in setting them an ende halfe a fote one from another, then couer them againe, that the earth maye be aboute those endes, three or foure fingers high, so let them remayne, and water them (in Sommer) if neede be sometimes, and cleanse them from all hurtfull weedes and rootes.

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That then within a space of tyme after, the sayde troncheons wyll put forth Cyons, the which when they be somewhat sprigged, hauing two or thre small twiggcs, then ye maye transplant or remoue them where ye lyst: but leaue your troncheons stil in the earth, for they wyl put forth many motions, the which, if they shall haue scantye of roote, then dung your troncheons within, with good earth, and likewise aboue also, and they shall do well.

The tyme meete to cut Cions.

Ye shall vnderstande that all trees the which commonly doe put forth cyons, if ye cut them in winter, they wyl put forth and spring moze abundantlye, for then they be all good to set and plant.

To set bushe trees, as Goose bearies,
or small Keysons.

There be many other kinde of Bushe trees, which wyl grow of cions pricked in the grounde, as the Gose berye tree, the small Keyson tree, the Barberye tree, the Blackthorne tree, these with many others, to be planted in winter, wyl grow without rootes: ye must also prouyne them and they wyl take well ynough, so likewise ye maye pricke (in Marche) of Myrtles in moyst groundes, and they wyl growe, and serue to many purposes for your garden.

The fift Chapter treateth of foure

manner of Graffinges.



It is to be vnderstoode that there be many wayes of graffinges, whereof I haue here onely put foure sorts, the which be good, both sure and well proued, and easye to doe, the which ye maye vse well in two partes of the yeare and moze, for I haue (sayeth he) graffed in our house, in euery moneth, except Maie & Nouember, & they haue taken well which I haue (sayeth he) in the winter be-

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gun to graffe, and in the Sommer graft in the scutchine oz shield according to the time, for ward oz flowe: for certayne trees, speciallye yong sayre cions haue ynough oz more of theyr sappe vnto myd August, than others some had at apri, sommer before.

The first vvay to graffe all sortes of trees.

Appd fyyst of all it is to be noted, that all sortes of franke trees, as also wylde trees of nature, maye be graft with grasses, and in the scutchin, and both doe well take, but specially those trees which be of lyke nature: therefore it is better so to graffe, howbeit, they may well growe and take of other sortes of trees, but certayne trees be not so good, nor wyll prosper so well in the ende.

Hovve to graffe Apple trees, Peare trees, Quince trees, and Medler trees.

They graffe the Peare graffe, on other Peare stockes, & Apple, vpon Apple stocke, Crabbe oz wilding stocke, the Quince and Medler, vpon the whyte thzone, but most commonly they vse to graffe one Apple vpon another, and both Peares and Quinces, they graffe on Halwthzone and crab stocke. Another kinde of fruite called in frenche Saulsay, they vsed to graffe on the willow stocke, the maner thereof is hard to doe, which I haue not sene, therefore I wyll let passe at this present.

The grafting of great Cherries.

They graffe the great Cherry, called in frenche Heaulmiers, vpon the crabbe stocke, and another long Cherry called Guyniers vpon the wylde oz sower Cherry tree, and lykelwise one Cherry vpon another.

To graffe Medlers.

The Apple oz Medlar, they maye be grafted on other Medlars, oz on whyte thzone: the Quince is grafted on the whyte oz blacke thzone, and they doe prosper well. I haue grafted (sayth hee) the Quince vpon a wylde Peare stocke, and it hath taken and boyn fruite well and good, but they

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they will not long endure. I beleue (sayth he) it was by cause that the grasse was not able ynough to draine the sap from the Peare stocke: some grasse the Wedler on y quince, to be great. And it is to be noted although the stocke, & the grasse be of contrarype natures, yet notwithstanding neyther the grasse nor scutchin, shall take any part of the nature of the wyld stocke, so grafted, though it be Peare, Apple, or Quince, which is contrarype against many whiche haue wrytten, that if ye grasse the Wedler vpon the Quince tree, they shall be without stones, which is abusyon & mockerie. For I haue (sayth he) proued the contrarype my selfe.

Of diuers kinde of grasses.

It is very true that one may set a tree which shall beare diuers sorts of fruite at once, if he be grafted with diuers kinde of grasses, as the black, whyte, and grane cherry togythers, and also Apples of other trees, as Apples and Peares togythers, and in the scutchion (ye maye grasse) lykewise of diuers byndes also, as on Peares, Abricotes, and Plums togyther, and of others also.

Of the grassing the Figge.

Ye may grasse the Figge tree vpon the Peache tree or Abricote, but leaue a bzaunche on the stocke, & that must be according for the space of yeares, for the one shall change soner than the other. All trees aboue sayd, do take very wel, being grafted one with the other. And I haue not knowne or found of any others, howbeit (sayth he) I haue curiously sought & proued, bicause they saye one may grasse on colewortes, or on Clines, the which I thinke are but iesses.

Of the great Abricotes.

The great Abricote they grasse in Sommer in the scutchion or shielde, in the sappe or barke of the lesser Abricote, and be grafted on Peache trees, Figge trees, and principallye on Damson or Plum trees, for there they will prosper the better.

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Of the Service tree.

Of the Service tree, they saye and wyte, that they may hardly be graft on other Service trees, eyther on apple trees, Peare, or Quince trees: and I beleue this to be very harde to doe, for I haue tryed (sayth he) and they would not growe.

The setting of Seruices.

Therefore it is much better to set them of curnels, as it is aforesayd, as also in the second Chapter of the planting of Cions, or other great trees, which must be cut in winter, as such as shalbe most meete for that purpose.

Trees vvhich be verie harde to be grafted in the shielde or stutcheon.

All other maner of trees aforesayde, doe take verie well to be grafted with Cyons, and also in the shielde, except Avicotes on Peches, Almondes, Percigniers, the Peach tree, doe take hardlye to be grafted, but in the shielde, in Sommer, as shalbe moze largely hereafter declared. As for the Almonde, Percigniers and Peaches, ye maye better set them of curnels and stuttes, whereby they shall the sooner come to perfection to be grafted.

Hovve a man ought to consider those trees, vvhich be commonlie charged vvith fruite.

Ye shal vnderstand, that in the beginning of grafting, ye must consider what sortes of trees doe most charge the sterke with brynche and fruite, or that doe loue the countrey or grounde whereas you intende to plante or graffe them: for better it were to haue abundance of fruite, than to haue verie fewe or none good.

Of trees vvhereon to choose your graffes.

If suche trees as ye wyll gather your graffes to graffe with, ye must take them at the endes of the principall brynches, which be also faire & greatest of sap, hauing two or thre fingers length of the olde wood, with the newe, and those Cions which haue of eyes somewhat nigh together,

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ther, are the best, for those which be long or farre one from another, be not so good for to bring fruite.

Those Cions towarde the East are best,

YE shall vnderstand, that those Cions which do grow on the East, or Orient parte of the tree, are best: ye must not lightly gather of the euill & slender graffes, which grow in the middes of the trees, nor any graffes which doe grow within on the bzaunches, or that doe spring from the stocke of the tree, nor yet graffes which be on verye olde trees, for thereby ye shall not lightlye profite to any purpose.

To choose your tree for graffes.

AND when the Trees, where as you intende to gather your graffes, be small and young, as of fyue or syre yeares growth, doe not take of the highest graffe thereof, nor the greatest, except it be of a small tree of two or thre yeares, the which commonlye hath to much of top or wood, otherwyle not, for ye shall but marre your graffing.

Hovve to keepe graffes a long time.

YE maye keepe graffes a long time good, as from all halolowtyde (so that the leaues be fallen) vnto the tyme of graffinge, if that they be well couered in the earth halfe a foote dape therein, and so that none of them doe appeare without the earth.

Hovve to keepe graffes before they are budded.

YE shall not gather them except ye haue great nede, vntyll Chyistmas or thereabouts, and put them not in the grounde, neyhe any walles, for feare of Moles, Myce, and water marryng the place and graffes. It shall be good to keepe graffes in the earth before they beginne to bud, when that ye wyl graffe betwixt the barke and the tree, and when the trees beginne to enter into theyr sappe.

Hovve one ought to beginne to graffe.

YE maye well beginne to graffe (in cleauing the stocke) at Chyistmasse, or before, according to the coldenesse of the
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the tyme, and principally the Dealme of great Cherrie, Peares, Wardens, or forwarde fruite of Apples: and for Medlars it is good to carry untill the ende of Ianuarie and Februarie, vntyll Parthe, or vntyll such tyme as ye shall see the trees beginne to bud or spring.

VWhen it is good graffing the wilde stockes.

In the spring time it is good graffing of Wyld stockes, (which be great) betwixt the barked and the tree, such stockes as be of a latewarde Spring, and kept in the earth before. The Damson or Plum tarieth longest to be grafted: for they doe not the ye or put forth sap so sone as the others.

Marke if the tree be forwarde or not.

Ye ought to consider alwayes whether the tree be forwarde or not, or to be grafted sone or latewarde, and to geue him also a graffe of the lyke harte or slownesse. When so ye must marke the tyme, whether it be slowe or forwarde.

VWhen one will graffe, what necessities he ought to be furnished withall.

Whensoever ye goe to graffing, see ye be first furnished with grasses, Clay and Posse, clothes, or barked of Sallowe to binde the grasses or clouen bylars, or small Driers to binde lykelike withall. Also ye must haue a small Sawe, and a sharpe knife, to cleave and cut grasses withall. But it were much better if ye shoulde cut your grasses with a great penknife, or some other like sharpe knife, hauing also a small wedge of harde wood, or of yron, with a hooked knife, and also a small mallet. And your wyld stockes must be well rooted before ye doe graffe them: and be not so quicke to deceyue your selues, as those whiche doe graffe and plant all at one tyme, yet they shall not profite so well, for where the wild stock hath not substance in him selfe, much lesse to geue vnto the other grasses, for when a man thinkes some tymes, to forwarde him selfe, he doth hynder him selfe,

¶ Of graffes not prospering the first yere.

YE shall vnderstand, that very hardly your graffes shall prosper after if they doe not profite or prosper well in the first yere, for when so euer (in the first yere) they profite wel, it were better to graffe them somewhat lower than to let them so remaine and growe.

For to graffe vwell and sounde.

And for the best vnderstanding of graffing in the cleft, ye shal first cut away all the small Cions about the body of the stocke beneath, and before ye begin to cleane your stocke, dresse and cut your graffes somewhat thicke and ready, then cleane your stocke, and as the cleft is small or great if neede be, pare it smothe within, then cut your incision of your graffes accordingly, & set them in the cleftes as euén, and as close as ye can possible.

Howe to trim your graffes.

YE may graffe your graffes full as long as two or three fruntchions or cut graffes, which ye maye likewise graffe withall very well, and be as good as those which doe come of olde wood, and oftentimes better, as to graffe a bough, for often it so happeneth, a man shall finde of Wyldettes or eyes harde by the olde slender wood, yet better if were to cut them of with the olde wood, and chose a better and sayze place, at some other eye in the same graffe, and to make your incision therevnder, as aforesayde, and cut your graffes in making the incision on the one syde narrowe, and on the other side brode, as the inner side thynne, and the outside thicke, because the outside (of your graffe) must ioyne within the cleft, with the saype or barked of the wyld stocke, and it shall so be set in: see also that ye cut it smothe as your cleftes are in the stock, in ioyning at euery place both euén and close, and especially the ioyntes or corners of the graffes on the heade of the stocke, which must be well and cleane pared before, and then set fast thereon.

Hovve to cutte grasses for Cherries and Plummes.

It is not muche requisite in the healtine Cherrye, for to ioyne the graffer (in the stocke) wholye throughout, as it is in others, or to cut the grasses of great Cherries, damsons or plums, so thyn and playne as ye may other grasses, for these sort haue a more greater sap or pithe within, the which ye must alwayes take hâde in cutting it to nrygh on the one syde, or on the other, but at the ende thereof chiefly, to be thynne cut and flat.

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And yet if the sayde incision be more strayter and closer on the one side than on the other side, part it where it is most mâte, and where it is to strayte, open it with a wedge of yron, and put in a wedge of the same woode as boue in the cleft, and thus may ye moderate your grasses, as ye shall see cause.

Hovve in grafting to take heede that the barcke doe not ryse.

In all kinde of cuttinge your grasses, take hâde to the barcke of your grasses, that it doe not ryse (from the woode) on no syde thereof, and specially on the outsyde, therefore ye shall leaue it more thyecker than the inner syde: also ye must take hâde when as the stockes doe weathe in cleauing, that ye maye ioyne the grasse therein accordingly: the best remebye therefore is, to cut it smothly within, that the grasse maye ioyne the better, ye shall also, vnto the moste greatest stockes, chosse for them the moste greatest grasses.

Hovve to cut your stocke.

How much the more your stocke is thynne and slender, so muche more ye ought to cut him lower, and if your stocke be as great as your synger, or thereabouts, ye maye cut him a foote, or halfe a foote from the earth, and dygge him about, and dong him with goates dong, to helpe him withall, and grasse him but with one grasse or Cion.

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If the vvyld stocke be great and slender.

If your wylde stocke be great, or as bygge as a good staffe, ye shall cut him rounde of, a foote or thereabouts aboute the earth, then set in two good graffes in the head or cleft thereof.

Trees as great as ones arme.

And when your stocke is as great as your arme, ye shall sawe him cleane of rounde, thre or foure foote, or thereabouts, from the earth, for to defende him, and set in the head thre graffes, two in the cleft, and one betwixt the barke and the tre, on that syde which ye may haue most space.

Great trees as bygge as your legges.

If the stocke be as bygge as your legges, or thereabouts, ye shall sawe him saye and cleane off, foure or fyue foote hie from the earth, and cleane him a crosse (if ye wyll) and set in foure graffes in the cleftes thereof, or els one clefte onelye, and set two graffes in both the sydes thereof, and other two graffes, betwixt the barke and the tre.

When the graffes be pinched vwith the stocke.

Ye must for the better vnderstanding, marke to graffe betwixt the barke and the tre, for when the sap is full in the wood of wylde stockes being great, then they do commonly pinche or wyng the graffes to soze, yf ye doe not put a small wedge of greene wood in the cleft thereof, to helpe them withall against such daunger.

Howe ye ought to cleane your stockes.

When so euer ye shall cleane your wylde stockes, take hede that ye cleane them not in the myddes of the harte or pythe: but a litle on the one side, which syde ye shall thinke good.

Howe ye to graffe the braunche of great trees.

When so euer ye woulde graffe great trees, as greates as your thighe, or greater, it were muche better to

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graffe onely the bzaunches thereof, than the stocke or body for the stocke wyll rotte, before the grasses shall couer the heade.

Hovve to cut bzaunches olde and great.

But if the bzaunches be to rude, and without order (the best shall be) to cut them all of, and within thre or foure yeares after they wyll bring fayre newe Cions againe and then it shall be best to graffe them, and cut of all the superfluous and yll bzaunches thereof.

Hovve ye ought to binde your grasses throughout for feare of windes.

AND when your grasses shalbe growne, ye must binde them, for feare of shaking of the winde, and if the tree be free and god of him selfe, let the Cions growe styll, and ye maye graffe any part or bzaunche ye wyll, in the cleft, or betwixt the barke and the tree, eyther in the scutchion, and if your barke be fayre and lose.

To set many grasses in one cleft.

When ye wil put many grasses in one cleft, see that one incision (of your graffe) be as large as the other, not to be put into the cleft so slightly and rashely, and that one side thereof be not moze open than the other, and that these grasses be all of one length: it shall suffice also, if they haue thre eyes, on eache graffe without the ioynte thereof.

Hovve to save your stocke, before ye leaue him.

In salving your stocke, see that ye teare not the barke about the heade thereof, then cleane his heade with a long sharpe knife, or suche lyke, and hnocke your wedge in the mydes thereof, (then pare him on the heade rounde about) and hnocke your wedge in so deepe tyll it open maete for your grasses, but not so wyde, then holding in one hande your

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your grasse, and in the other hande your stocke, set your grasse in close, barke to barke, and let your wedge be great aboue at the heade, that ye maye knocke him out saye and easily againe.

If the stocke cleaue to muche or the barke doe open.

If the stocke doe cleaue to muche, or open the barke with the wedge to loose, then softly open your stocke with your wedge, and see if your incision of your grasse be all mate and iuste, according to the cleft, if not, make it vntill it be mate, or else saue him of lower.

Hovve grasses neuer lightly take.

About all thinges ye must consider the meeting of the two sappes, betwixt the grasse and the wyldc stocke, which must be set iust one with another, for ye shall vnderstande, if they doe not ioyne, and the one delight with the other, being euen set, they shall neuer take together, for there is nothing onely to ioyne they increase, but the sappe, recounting the one against the other.

Hovv to set the grasses right in the cleft.

When the barke of the stocke is more thyecker than the grasse, ye must take good heede of the setting in of the grasse in the cleft, to the ende that his sap may ioyne right with the sap of the stocke, on the inside, and ye ought likewise to consider of the sap of the stocke, if he doe surmount the grasses on the outsidcs of the cleft to much or not.

Of setting in the grasses.

Also ye must take good heede, that the grasses be well and cleane set in, and ioyne close vpon the head of the stocke: lyke wise that the incision which is set in the cleft, doe ioyne very well within on both sides, not to ioyne so euen, but sometynies it maye doe seruice, when as the grasses doe drawe to muche from the stocke, or the stocke also on the grasses doe put forth.

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And therefore when the stocke is rightly clouen , there is no daunger in cutting the incision of the grasse, but a lytle straight rebated , to the ende thereof , that the sappe maye ioyne one with the other, the better and closer together.

Hovve ye ought to dravve out your vvedge.

When your grasses shall be well ioyned within the stocke, drawe your wedge sayze & softly forth, for feare of displacing your grasses , ye may leaue within the cleft a small wedge of suche græne wood, as is aforesayde , and ye shall cut it of close by the head of your stocke , and so couer it with a barke as followeth.

To couer your cleftes on the head.

When your wedge is drawne forth , put a græne pyll of thycke barke of willow, crabbe, or apple, vpon your cleftes of the stocke, that nothing maye fall betwæne : then couer all about the cleftes on the stocke head two fyngers thicke with good claye, or nye about that thicknesse, that no wynde nor rayne maye enter . Then couer it rounde with good mosse, and then wyeth it ouer with clothes, or pilles of Willowe, Byar, of Dziars, or such lyke, then binde them faste, and sticke certayne long pyckes on the grasses heade amonges your Cyons , to defende them from the Crows, Teyes, or such lyke.

Hovv ye ought to see to the bynding
of your grasses.

Be it alwayes take good hâde to the bynding of your heds, that they wære slacke, or shagge, neyther on the one syde or other, but remaine fast vpon the clay, which clay remaines fast (lykewise on the stocke head) under the bynding thereof, wherefore, the sayd claye must be moderated in such sort as followeth.

Hovve ye ought to temper your claye.

The best waye is therefore , to trye your claye betwixt your handes, for stones and such lyke, and so to temper

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it as ye shall thinke good, if so it requyre of moystnesse or drynesse, and to temper it with the heyze of Beastes, for when it dryeth, it holdeth not (otherwyse) so well on the stocke, or if ye kneade of mosse therewith, or myngle havye thynne therewith: some do iudge, that the mosse doth make the trees mosse. But I thinke (sayth he) that commeth of the disposition of places.

To bushe your graffe heades.

When ye shall binde or wraппe your graffe heads with bande, take small thornes, and bynde them within, for to defend your graffes, from Bytes, or Crows; or other daunger of other fowles, or pycke of sharpe whyte stiches thereon.

The second vwaye to graffe hie branches
on trees.

The seconde maner to graffe, is straunge ynough to many: this kinde of graffing is on the toppes of bryars, ches of trees, which thing to make them growe light, Ie, is not sone obtained: wheresoeuer they be grafted, they do onely require a fayre young woad, a great Cion or twig, growing byest in the tree toppe, which Cions ye shall chosse to graffe on, of many sortes of frutes if ye wyl or as ye shall thinke good, which order followeth.

Take graffes of other sortes of trees whiche ye woulde graffe in the toppe thereof, then mount to the toppe of the tree which ye woulde graffe, and cutte of the toppes of all suche bryanches or as many as ye woulde graffe on, and if they be greater than the graffes, which ye woulde graffe, ye shall cutte and graffe them lower, as ye doe the small wyld stocke afoze sayde. But if the Cions that you cut, be as great as your graffe that you graffe on, ye shall cutte them lower betwixt the olde woad and the newe, or a lyttle moze higher, or lower: then cleane a lyttle and choose your graffes in the lyke sorte which ye woulde plant, whereof

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ye shall make the incision shoyte, with the barke on both sides lyke, and as thicke on the one side as the other, and set so fast in the cleft, that the barke maye be even and close, as wthell above as beneath, on the one side as the other, and so bynde him as is aforesayde. It shall suffice that euery grasse haue an oylet, or eye, or two at the most, without the ioynt, for to leaue them to long it shall not be good, and ye must dresse it with clay and mosse, and bynde it as is aforesayde. And lykewise ye may grasse these as ye doe the little wilde stockes which should be as great as your grasses, and to grasse them as ye doe those with sappe like on both sides, but then ye must grasse them in the earth, as these fingers of, or thereabouts.

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maie be set betwixt the barkes
and the tree,*

To grasse betwixt the barke and the tree.

This manner of grassing is good when trees doe begin to enter into theyr sappe, which is, about the ende of februarye, vnto the ende of Aprill, and specially on great wilde stockes which be hard to cleane, ye may set in foure or fve grasses in the head thereof, which grasses ought to be gathered afoze, and kept close in the earth tyll then, for by that tyme aforesayde, ye shall scantely finde a tree but that he doth put forth or budde, as the Apple called *Capendu*, or such like. Ye must therefore save these wilde stockes moze charily, and moze higher, so they be great, and then cut the grasses which ye would set together, so as you would sette them vpon the wilde stocke that is cleft, as is afoze rehearsed. And the incision of your grasses must not be so long nor so thicke, and the barke a lytle at the ende thereof must be taken away, and made in maner as a lanccet of ypon, and as thicke on the one side as the other.

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Hovve to dresse the heade, to place the graffes betwixt the barke and the tree.

And when your graffes be ready cut, then shall ye cleanse the head of your stocke, and pare it with a sharpe knife, rounde about the barke thereof, to the ende your graffes may ioyn the better thereon, then by and by take a sharpe penknife, or other sharpe poynted knife, and thrust it down betwixt the barke and the stocke, so long as the incision of your graffes be, then put your graffes softly downe therein to the hard ioynt: and see that it doe sit close vpon the stocke heade.

Hovve to couer the heade of your stocke.

When as ye haue set in your graffes, ye must then couer it well about, with good trench clay and maste, as is sayde of the others, and then ye must incontinēt enuyron or compasse your heade, with small thorny bushes, and binde them fast thereon all about, for feare of great byrdes, and lykelwise the winde.

Of the maner and graffing in the shilde or Scutchion.

The fourth maner to graffe, which is the last, is to graffe in the scutchion, in the sappe, in Sommer, from about the ende of the month of Maye, vntyll August, when as trees be yet strong in sappe and leaues, for otherwayes it can not be done, the best tyme is in June and Julie, so it is some yeares when the time is very drie, that some trees doe holde thei sappe very long, therfore ye must tary tyll it returne.

For to graffe in Sommer so long as the trees be full leaued.

For to beginne this manner of graffing well, ye must in Sommer when the trees be almost full of sap, and when they haue sprong forth of newe shewes being somewhat hardened, then shall ye take a bzaunch thereof in the top of the tree, the which ye well haue graffed, & chose the highest,
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and the principallest braunches, without cutting it from the old wood, & chofe therof, the principallest oylet or eye, or budding place, of eche braunche one, with which oylet or eye, ye shall begin to graffe, as followeth.

The bigge Cions are best to graffe.

Pricipally ye must vnderstand the the smallest & naught, & oyleties or buddes of the sayde Cions, be not so good to graffe, therefore chofe the greatest and best ye can finde, & cut of the leafe harde by the oylet, then ye shall trench or cut (the length of a barlye corne) beneath the oylet round about the bareke, hard to the wood, and so lyke wise about: then with a sharpe point of a knyfe, fyt it downe halfe an ynche besyde the oylet or budde, and with the poynt of a sharpe knyfe softly rayse the sayd shield or scutchion, round about, with the oylet in the middelt, and all the sap belowing thereinto.

How to take of the shield fro the vwood.

And so: the better rayling the sayd shield or scutchion from the wood, after that ye haue cut him round about, and then fyt him downe, without cutting any part of the wood within, ye must then rayse the syde next you that is fyt, and then take the same shield belwixt your finger and thumbe, and plucke or rayse it softlye of, without breaking or bryssing any part thereof, and in the opening or plucking it of, holde it (with your synger) harde to the wood, so the ende the sappe of the oylet, may remaine in the shielde, for if it goe of (in plucking it) from the barekes, and sticke to the wood, your scutchion is nothing woorth.

To knowe your scutchion or shielde, vwhen he is good or badde.

And so: the more easier vnderstanding, if it be good or badde, when it is taken from the wood, looke within the sayde shielde, and if ye shall see it cracke, or open within, then it is of no value, for the chiefe sappe doth yet remayne behinde with the wood, which should be in the shield, & therefore

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Soze ye must chose and cut another shielde, which must be good and sounde, as aforesayde, and when your scutchion shall be well taken of from the woode, then holde it dýe, by the oylet oꝝ eye, betwixt your lyppes, vntyl ye haue cut and taken of the barke from the other Cion oꝝ bzaunch, and set hym in that place, and loke that ye doe not solwe oꝝ wet it in your mouth.

Of young trees to graffe on.

But ye must graffe on such trees, as be from the bignesse of your lyttle finger, vnto as great as your arme, hauing theyꝝ barke thinne and slender, for great trees commonly haue theyꝝ barke harde and thicke, which ye can not well graffe this waye, except they haue some bzaunches with a thinne smoth barke, mete for this way to be done.

Hovv to set or place your shield.

Ye must quickly cut of rounde the barke of the tree that ye wyll graffe on, a lyttle more longer than the shielde that ye set on, bicause it may ioyne the sower and easier, but take hãde that in cutting of the barke, ye cut not the wood with in.

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After the incision once done, ye must then couer both the sides oꝝ ends well & softly withall, with a litle bone oꝝ hoꝝne, made in maner lyke a thin skinne, which ye shall laye it all ouer the ioyntes oꝝ closinges of the sayde shielde, somewhat longer and larger, but take hãde for hurting oꝝ crushing the barke thereof.

Hovv to lyft vp the barke, and to set your shielde on.

This done, take your shielde oꝝ scutchion, by the oylet oꝝ eye that he hath, and open him sayze and softly by the two sydes, and put them straght waye on the other tree, where as the barke is taken of, and ioyne him close barke to barke thereon, then plaine it softly aboue and at both the

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endes with the thinne bone, and that they ioyne aboue and beneath barke to barke, so that hē maye fade well the bzaunche of that tre.

Hovv to binde on your shielde.

THis done, ye must haue a wreath of good hempe, to binde the sayde shield on in his place: the maner to bynde it is this, ye shall make a wreath of hempe togyther as great as a Goose quyll, or there aboutes, or according to the bignesse or smalnesse of your tre: the take your hempe in the midst, that the one halfe may serue for the vpper halfe of y^e shield, in wynding and crossing (with the hempe) the sayde shield, on the bzaunche of the tre, but see that he bynde it not to strait, for it shall let him fro taking or springing, and lyke wise they say can not easily come or passe from the one to the other: and see also that wet come not to your shield, nor lykelike the hempe that ye binde it withall. Ye shall begin to binde your scutchion first behinde in the middes of your shielde, in comming styll lower and lower, & so recouer vnder the oylet, and tayle of your shielde, bynding it nye togythers, without recouering of the sayd oylet, then ye shal returne againe vppward, in binding it backward to the midst where ye began. Then take the other part of the hempe, & binde so likewise the vpper part of your shield, and increase your hempe as ye shall nede, and so returne againe backward, & ye shall binde it so, tyll the frutes or cliftes be couered (both aboue and beneath) with your sayd hempe, except the oylet and his taile, the which ye must not couer, for that tayle wylly shyd apart, if the shield doe take.

On one tree ye maye graffe or put tyvo or three shieldes.

Ye may verie well if ye wyll, on euery tre graffe two or thre shieldes, but see that one be not right against another, nor yet of the one syde of the tre, let your shieldes so remaine bounde on the tres, one sponeth or moze after they

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they be grafted, and the greater the tree is, the longer to remaine, and the smaller the lesser time.

The time to vnbinde your shielde.

Add then after one Moneth or sixe weekes past, ye must vnbinde the shielde, or at the least, cut the hempe be- hynde of the tree, and let it so remaine vnto the Wynter next following, and then about the moneth of Marche, or Aprill if ye wyl, or when ye shall see the sap of the shield put forth, then cut the bzaunche above the shield thre fingers all about all of.

Hovve to cut and gouerne the braunches grafted on the trees.

Then in the next yeare after that the Cions shall be well strengthened, and when they doe begin to spring, then shall ye cut them all harde of, by the shielde about, for if ye had cut them so nigh in the first yeare, when they began first to spring or bud, it should greatly hinder them against their increace of growing: also when those Cions shall put forth a sayze woode, ye must binde and stape them in the middes, sayze and gently with small wandes, or such like, that the winde or weather hurt them not. And after this manner of graffing, is practised in the shielde or scutchion, which way ye may easily graffe the white rose on the red, and likewise ye maye haue roses of diuers colours & sortes vpon one bzaunche or roote: this I thought sufficient and mete to declare, of this kinde of graffing at this present.

The.vi. Chapter is of transplanting or altering of trees.

The sooner ye transplant or set them, it shall be the better.



Eought to transplant or sette your trees, from Alhallowtide vnto Marche, and the sooner the better, for as soone as y leaues are falne from the trees, they be mete for to be planted, if it be not in a verie colde

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oꝝ moost place, the which then it were best foꝝ to tarry vnto
Januarie, oꝝ Februarie: to plant in the frost is not good.

To plant or set tovvardes the South, or
Sunny place, is best.

Afoze ye do pluck by your trées foꝝ to plant them, if ye
will marke the southside, of ech trée, that when ye shal
replant them, ye may set them againe as they stood be-
foze, which is the best way as some doe say. Also if ye keepe
them a certaine tyme, after they be taken out of the earth,
befoze ye replant them againe, they wyll rather recouer
there in the earth, so they be not wet with raine, noꝝ other-
wise, foꝝ that shall be moze contrary to them then the great
heate oꝝ dꝛought.

Hovve to cut the branches of trees before
they be set.

Whensoever ye shall set oꝝ replant your trées, fyrst ye
must cut of the boughes, and specially those which are
great bꝛaunches, in such soꝛt that ye shall leaue the small
twigs oꝝ sprigs on the stockes of your bꝛaunch, which must
be but a shaftment long oꝝ somewhat moze oꝝ lesse, accoꝝ-
ding as the trée shall require which ye do set.

Apple trees commonlie must be disbraunched before
they be replanted or set.

And chiefly the Apple trées being grafted oꝝ not grafted,
doe requyre to be disbraunched befoze they be sette a-
gain, foꝝ they shall prosper thereby, much the better: the
other sortes of trées maye well passe unbꝛaunched, if they
haue not too great oꝝ large bꝛaunches: and therfoze, it shall
be good to transplant oꝝ set, as sone after as the grasses are
closed on the heave of the wyld stocke, as foꝝ small trées
which haue but one Cion oꝝ twyg, it néedes not to cut them
aboue, when they be replanted oꝝ remoued.

All vvyld stocks must be disbraunched, vvhhen
they are replanted or set.

ALl wyld trees or stocks which ye thinke for to graffe
on, ye must fyest cut of all theyr bzaunches befoze ye set
them againe, also it shall be good, alwayes to take hede in
replanting your trees, that ye doe set them againe, in as good
or better earth, than they were in befoze, and so euery tree
according as his nature doth requyre.

Vvhat trees loue the sayre Sunne, vvhat trees
the colde ayre.

Commonly the most part of trees doe loue the Sunne at
none, and yet the South winde (or *vent d'auant*) is very
contrary against theyr nature, and specially the Almonde
tree, the Abzicote, the Pulbery tree, the fygge tree, and the
Pomgranade tree: certaine other trees there be which loue
colde ayer, as these: the Chestnut tree, the wyld and eager
Cherry tree, the Quince tree, and the Damson or Plum
tree: the Walnutte loueth colde ayer, and a stony whyte
grounde: Pearre trees loue not greatly plaine places, they
prosper well ynough in places closed with Walles or high
hedges, and specially the Pearre called *bon Crestien*.

Of many sortes and maners of trees, folloving
their nature,

The Damson or Plum tree, doth loue a colde fatte earth,
and clay withall, the (Healme) great Cherry, doth loue
to be set or planted vpon clay. The Pine tree, loueth light
earth, stony and sandy. The Medlar commeth well ynough
in all kinde of groundes, and doth not hinder his fruit to be
in the shadowe and moyst places. Wascil nut trees, loue the
place to be cold, leane, moyst and sandy. Ye shal vnderstand
that euery kinde of fruitfull tree, doth loue, and is moze
fruitfull in one place, then another, as according vnto their
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nature, neuerthelesse we ought to nourishe them (all that we maye) in the place where we set them in, taking them fro the place and grounde they were in. And ye must also consider when one doth plant them, of the great and largest kinde of træs, that euery kinde of træ maye prosper and growe, and it is to be considered also, if the træs haue commonly growne afore so large in that grounde or not, for in good earth, the træs maye well prosper and growe, hauing a good space one from another, more than if the grounde were leane and naught.

Hovve to place or set trees at large.

If this thing ye shall consider, ye must geue a competent space, from one træ to another, when as ye make the holes to set them in, not to nye, nor yone træ touch so another. For a good træ planted or set well at large, it profiteth oftentimes more of fruite, than thre or foure træs, set to nighe togythers. The most greatest and largest træs commonly are Walnuttes, and Chestnuttes, if ye plant them seuerally in ranke, as they doe commonly grow vpon high wayes, beside hedges in fieldes, they must be set. *xv. fote* a sunder, one from another, or there aboutes, but if ye wyll plant many ranks in one place togythers, ye must set them the space of. *xv. fote*, one from another, or there aboutes, and so farre ye must set your rankes one from another. For the Pearre træs and Apple træs, and other sortes of træs which may be set of this largenesse one from y other, if ye doe plant onely in rankes by hedges in the fieldes, or otherwise, it shal be sufficient of. *xx. fote* one from another. But if ye wyll set two rankes vpon the sides of your great alleyes in gardens, which be of ten or twelue fote bryde, it shall be then best to giue them more space, the one soom the other in each ranke, as about. *xv. fote*: also ye must not set your træs ryght one against the other, but entermedling or betwixne euery space, as they may best grow at large, that if

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made be, ye may plant of other smaller træs betwæne, but
 see that ye set them not to thicke. If ye lyst for to set or plant
 all your træs of one bignesse, as of yong træs lyke rods,
 being Pearce træs, or Apple træs, they must be set a good
 space one from another, as of .xx. or .xxx. foote in square, as
 to saye, from one ranke to another. For to plant or sette of
 smaller træs, as Plum træs, & Apple træs, of the lyke big-
 nesse, it shall be sufficient for them .xiiij. or .xv. foote space, in
 Quarters. But if ye wyl plant or sette two rankes in
 your alleyes in gardens, ye must deuise for to proportion it
 after the largenesse of your sayde alleyes. For to plant or
 sette eager or sower Cherry træs, this space shall be suffici-
 ent ynough the one from the other, that is, of .x. or .xij. foote,
 and therfore if ye make of great or large alleyes in your
 garden, as of ten foote wyde or there abouts, they shal come
 well to passe, and shal be sufficient to plant your træs, of .ix.
 or .x. foote space: and for the other lesser sortes of træs, as of
 Quince træs, Figge træs, Nut træs and such lyke, which
 be not commonly planted, but in one ranke togethers.

Ordering your trees.

When that ye plant or set rankes, of euery kind of træs
 togethers, ye shall set or plant the most smallest to-
 wardes the Sunne, and the greatest in the shade, that they
 maye not annoy or hurt the small, nor the small the great.
 Also whēsoeuer ye wyl plant or set of Pearce træs, & Plum
 træs (in any place) the one with another, better it were to
 set the Plum træs next the sunne, for the Pearce wyl dure
 better in the shade. Also ye must vnderstand, when he set
 or plant any rankes of træs togethers, ye must haue more
 space betwixt your rankes and træs, (then when ye sette
 but one ranke) that they maye haue roome sufficient on e-
 uerie syde, ye shall also scarcely set or plant Pearce træs, or
 Apple træs, or other great træs, vpon dead, or mossie barrē
 ground butt yered, for they increase (thereon) to no purpose.
 But

But other lesser trées verie well maye growe , as Plum
trées and such lyke : nowe when all the sayd thinges aboue
be conſydered , ye ſhall make your holes , according to the
ſpace that ſhall be requyzed of euery tré that ye ſhall plant
oꝝ ſette, and alſo the place môte ſeꝝ the ſame ſo much as ye
maye conuenient , ye ſhall make your holes large enough,
foꝝ ye muſt ſuppoſe the tré ye doe ſette , hath not the halfe
of his rootes he ſhall haue hereafter, therefore ye muſt helpe
him and geue him of good fatte earth, (oꝝ doing) all about
the rootes when as ye plant him . And if any of the ſame
rootes be ſo long , and bruyled oꝝ hurt , ye ſhall cutte them
cleane of, a ſlope wyſe, ſo that the vpper ſyde (of each rote)
ſo cut , maye be longeſt in ſetting , and foꝝ the ſmall rootes
which come forth all about thereof, ye may not cut them of
as the great rootes.

Hovve ye ought to enlarge the holes for your
trees, vwhen ye plant them.

When as ye ſette the trées in the holes , ye muſt then
enlarge the rootes , in placing them, and ſee that they
take all downewards, without turning any rootes the ende
vpwarde , and ye muſt not plant oꝝ ſet them to deepe in the
earth, but as ye ſhall ſee cauſe. It ſhall be ſufficient foꝝ them
to be planted oꝝ ſet (halfe a ſote, oꝝ there aboutes) in the
earth, ſo that the earth be aboue all the rootes halfe a ſote oꝝ
more , if the place be not very burning and ſtonie.

Of doing and good earth, for your plantes
and trees.

And when as ye woulde replant oꝝ ſet , ye muſt haue of
good fatte earth oꝝ doing, well medled with a part of the
ſame earth where as ye tooke your Plantes out of , wyth
all the vpper cꝛeſſes of the earth, as thicke as ye can haue it:
the ſayd earth which ye ſhall put about the rootes, muſt not
be

be put to nigh the rootes, for doubt of the doing being layd to nigh, which wyll put the sayd rootes in a heate, but let it be well medled with the other earth, and well tempered in the holes, and the smallest and tendrest Clions that turnes by among those rootes, ye may plant therewith very well.

If ye haue vwormes amongst the earth
of your rootes.

If there be wormes in the fat earth or doing, that ye put about your rootes, ye must medle it well also, with the doing of Dren or Ryne, or slekt sope ashes about the rote, which wyll make the Wormes to dye, for otherwyse, they wyll hurt greatly the rootes.

To digge well the earth about the tree rootes.

Also ye must digge well the earth, principally all round ouer the rootes, and more oftner, if they be dye, then if they be wet: ye must not plant or set trees when it raineth, nor the earth to be very moyst about the rootes. The trees that be planted or set in valleys, commonly prosper well by drought, and when it raineth, they that be on the hylles are better by watring with droppes, than others, but if the place or ground be moyst of nature, ye must plant or set your trees so deepe thercon.

The nature of places.

On high and dye places, ye must plant or set your trees a lyttle more deeper, than in the valleys, & ye must not fell the holes in high places, so full as the other, to the ende that the rayne may better moysten them.

Of good earth.

Ye shal vnderstand that of good earth, commonly cometh good fruite, but in certayne places (if that they myght be suffered to growe) they would season the tree the better.

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Other.

Otherwyse they shal not come to pꝛoofe, noꝝ yet haue a good
falte.

VVith vvhat ye ought to binde your trees.

Whensoever your trées shalbe replanted oꝝ set, ye must
knocke in (by the roote) a stake, and binde your trées
thereto foꝝ feare of the winde: and when they doe spring, ye
shall dꝛesse them and bind them with bandes that may not
bꝛeake, which bandes may be of strong soft hearbe, as Bul-
rushes oꝝ such lyke, oꝝ of olde linnen clowtes, if the other be
not strong ynough, oꝝ else ye may bind them with Dziars,
oꝝ such like, but foꝝ feare of fretting oꝝ hurting your trées.

The seuenth Chapter is of medecining and keeping the trees when they are planted.

The first councell is, vvhen your trees be but plantes (in drye
vvether) they must be vvatred.

The yong trées which be newly planted, must some-
times (in Sommer) be watred when the tyme wareth
dꝛie. at the least, the first yeare after they be planted
oꝝ set. But as foꝝ other greater trées which are well taken
& rooted a good tyme, ye must digge them all ouer the rootes
after Alhallowtide, & vncouer them foure oꝝ fve fote com-
passe about the roote oꝝ trée: and let them so lye vncouered
vntyll the latter ende of Winter. And if ye doe then
meddle about each trée of good fatte earth oꝝ dong, to heate
and comfozt the earth withall, it shal be good.

v vvith vvhat doong ye ought to doong your trees.

Ad pꝛincipally vnto mossie trées, dong them with hogs
dong medled with other earth of the same ground, and
the dong of Oren be next about the rootes, and ye shall also
abate the mosse of the trées, with a great knife of wood, oꝝ
such lyke, so that ye hurt not the barke thereof.

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When ye ought to vncover your trees
in Sommer,

If the tyme of Sommer, when the earth is scantly halfe moyst, it shall be good to digge at the foote of the trees, all about on the roote, suche as haue not bene vncovered in the Winter befoze, and so meddle it with good fat earth: and so fyll it againe, and they shall doe well.

When ye ought to cut or proine your trees.

And if there be in your trees certaine branches of superfluous wood that ye wyll cut of, tary vntyll the tyme of the entering in of the sappe, that is, when they begin to bud, as in Marche and Aprill: then cutte of as ye shall see cause, all such superfluous branches hard by the tree, that thereby the other branches maye prosper the better, for then they shall sooner close theyr sappe vpon the cut places than in the Winter, which should not do so wel to cut them, as certain do teach which haue not good experience. But for so much as in this time the trees be entring into the sap, as is afoze sayde. Take heede therefore in cutting then of your great branches hastily, that thzough their great waight, they do not cleaue or seperate the barke from the tree in any part thereof.

Howe to cut your great branches, and when.

And for the better remedie: If y^e shall cut the same great branches halfe a foote from the tree, and after to sawe the rest cleane of harde by the body of the tree, then with a brode Chisell cut al cleane & smooth vpon that place, then couer it with Dre downe. Ye may also cut them well in Winter, so that ye leaue the trunk or branch some what longer, so as ye may dresse and cut them againe in Marche and Aprill, as is befoze mencioned.

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Howe

Hovve ye ought to leaue these great
branches cut.

Other things here are to be shewed of certaine great
and olde trees onely, which in cutting the great bzan-
ches thereof truncheon wyse, doe renewe againe, as Wal-
nuts, Gulbery tree, Plum trees, Cherry trees with others,
which ye must disbzaunche the bowes thereof euen after
Alhallowtide, or as soone as they leaues be fallne of, and
lykewise befoze they begin to enter into sap.

Of trees hauing great branches.

The sayde great bzaunches, when ye shall disbzaunche
them, ye shall so cutte them of in suche truncheons, of
length en the tree, that the one maye be longer than the o-
ther, that when the Cions be growne good and long there-
on, ye maye graffe on them againe as ye shall see cause, ac-
cording as euery arte shall requyre.

Of barrennesse of trees, the time of cutting yll branches
and of vncouering the rootes.

Sometymes a man hath certaine olde trees, which be al-
most spent, as of the Peare trees and Plum trees, and
other great trees, the which beare scante of fruite, but
when as ye shall see some bzaunches well charged there-
with, then ye ought to cutte of all the other yll bzaunches
and bowes, to the ende that those that remaine may haue
the more sappe to nourishe they fruite, and also to vncouer
they rootes after Alhallowtyde, and to cleaue the most
greatest rootes thereof (a fote from the frenke) and put in
to the sayde cleftes, a thin slate of hard stone, there let it re-
maine, to the ende that the humour of the tree, maye enter
out thereby, and at the ende of Winter ye shall couer him
againe with as good and fat earth as ye can get, and let the
stone alone,

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Trees the vvhich ye must helpe or plucke vp by the rootes.

All sortes of trees which spring Cions frō the rootes, as Plum trees, all kinde of Cherry trees and small putte trees, ye must helpe in plucking they Cions from the rootes in Winter, as soon as conveniently ye can, after the leafe is fallen. For they doe greatly pluck downe and weaken the sayd trees, in drawing to them the substance of the earth.

VVhat doth make a good Nuttre.

BUT chiefly to plant these Cions, the best waye is to let them growe and be nourished two or thre yeares from the roote, and then to transplant them or set them in the Winter, as is aforesayd. The Cions which be taken from the foot of the Vassel trees, make good puttes, and to be of much strength & vertue, when they are not suffered to grow so long from the roote or foot aforesayde.

Trees eaten vvith beastes, must be grafted againe.

When certayne grasses being well in sappe, of thre or foure yeares or thereabouts, be broken or greatly endamaged with beastes which haue broken therof, it shal little profite to leane those grasses so, but it were better to cutte them and to graffe them higher or lower then they were before. For the grasses shall take as well vppon the new as olde Cion being grafted, as on the wyld stocke: but it shall not so sone close, as vpon the wilde stocke head.

How your vvylde stockes ought not hastily to be remoued,

In the beginning when ye haue grafted your grasses on the wyld stocke, do not then hastily pluck vp those Cions or wyld stockes so grafted, vntyll ye shall see the grasses put forth a new shewte, the which remayning styll, ye may graffe thereon againe, so that your grasses, in hasty remouing may chaunce to dye.

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VVhen

¶ When ye cut of the naughtie Cions
from the vwood.

When your graffes on the stockes , shall put forth of newe wood . or a newe shewe, as of two or thre fote long , and if they put forth also of other small superfluous Cions (about the sayd members or branches that ye would nourishe) cut of all such yll Cions, hard by the heade, in the same yeare they are graffed in , but not so long as the wood is in sappe, tyll the winter after.

Hovve sometimes to cut the principall
members.

Also it is good to cut some of the principall members or branches in the fyrst yeare if they haue to many , and then againe within two or thre yeares after when they shal be well sprong vp, & the graffes well closed on the head of the stock: ye may trim and dresse them againe, in taking away the superfluous branches if any there remaine , for it is sufficient ynough to nourishe a yong tre , to leaue him one principall member on the heade, so that he maye be one of those that hath ben graffed on the tre before, yea and the tre shall be sayzer and better in the ende, than if he had two or thre branches or precidens at the fote . But if the tre haue bene graffed with many great Cions , then ye must leaue him moze largely , accordyng as ye shall see cause or neede, to recouer the cleftes on the head of the sayde graffe or stocke.

Hovve to guide and gouerne the saide trees.

When that your tres doe begin to spryng , ye must order & see to them well the space of thre or foure yeres, or moze, vntyl they be wel and strongly growne, in helping them about in cutting the small twiggges , and superfluous wood, vntyll they be so hye without branches as a man, or moze if it may be, and then see to them well, in placing the

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principal branches if néede be, with forks or wandes prickt
ryght and well about them at the fote, and to poyne them
so that one bzaunch doe not approche to nigh the other, nor
yet frette the one the other, when as they doe enlarge and
growe, & ye must also cut of certaine bzaunches in the træ,
where as they are to thicke.

A kinde of sicknesse in trees.

When certaine træs are sicke of the Gall, whiche is a
kinde of sicknesse that doth eate the barke, therefore
ye must cut it, & take out all the same infection with a Che-
ill, or such like thing. This must be done at the end of win-
ter, then put on that infected place of Dre dong, or Hogges
dong, and binde it fast theron with clowtes, and wzappe it
with Dzars, so let it remaine a long tyme, tyll it shall re-
couer againe.

Trees vvhich haue vvormes in the barke.

Of træs which haue Wormes within theyr barkes, is
where as ye shall see a swelling or ryling therein, there-
fore ye must cut or cleaue the sayde barke vnto the woode,
to the ende the humoꝝ may also distyl out thereat, and with
a lytle hooke ye must plucke or draw out the sayd wormes,
withall the rotten wood that ye can see, then shall ye put vp
on the sayd place, a playster made of Dre dong, or of Hogs
dong medled and beaten with Sage, and a lytle of unsleckt
lyme, then let it be all well blende togyther, and wzap it on
a cloth, and bind it fast & close theron so long as it wyl hold.
The lyes of wine shed or poured vpo the rotes of træs (the
which be somewhat sicke thzough the coldnesse of the earth)
which lyes doth them much good.

Snayles, Antes and vvormes, doth marre trees.

Also ye must take hède of all maner of yong træs: and
specially of those grasses, the which many wormes and
Ayes

flies doe endomage and hurte in the tyme of Sommer, those are the snayles, the pismirs, or antes, the field snaille whiche hurteth also all other sortes of trees that be great, principally in the time that the Cuckowe doth sing, and betwixt Aprill, and Midsummer, while they be tender. There be little beastes called Solives, which haue many legs: and some be of them graye, some blacke, and some hath a long sharpe snout, which be very noysome, and great hurters of yong graffes, and other yong trees also, for they cut of in eating the tender toppes (of the yong Cions) as long as ones synger.

Howe ye ought to take the sayde
vyornies.

FD: to take them well, ye must take hede and wathe in the heate of the daye (your yong trees) and where ye shall see any, put your hand softly vnderneath, without shaking the tree, for they wyll sodaynly fall, when one thinkes to take them: therefore so soone as you can (that they flye not away nor fall) take him (quickly on the Cion) with your other hande.

To keepe Antes from yong trees.

FD: to keepe the yong trees from snayles and Antes: it shall be good to take ashes and to mingie vnsleckt tyme, beaten in powder therewith, then laye it all about the roote of the tree, and when it rayneth, they shall be beaten downe into the ashes and dye: but ye must renewe your ashes after euerie rayne from tyme to tyme: also to keepe them moyst, ye must put certayne small vessels full of water, at the fote of your sayde trees, and also the lyes of Wine, to be spreade on the grounde there all aboutes. For the best destroying of the small snayles on trees, ye must take good hede in the spring tyme, before the trees be leaued, then if ye shall see as it were small weartes, knobbes or bzaunche, on the trees, the same wyll be snayles.

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Praside to take them awaye sayze and softlie, befoze they be full closed, and take hēde that ye hurte not the wood oꝝ barke of the sayde trē, as lyttle as ye can, then burne those bzaunches on the earth, oꝝ all to treade them vnder your fete, and then if any doe remaine oꝝ reneue, looke in the heate of the daye, and if ye can see any, which wyll commonly be on the cleftes oꝝ forkes of the bzaunches, and also vpon the bzaunches lying lyke toftes oꝝ troupes toggyther, then wraппe your handes all ouer with olde clothes, (and bynde of leaues beneath them, and aboue them,) and with your two handes rub them downe therein, and straye waye fyze it, if ye doe not quickly with dilligence, they wyl fall, and if they fall on the earth, ye can not lyghtlie kyll them, but they wyll reneue againe, these kinde of woymes are noysome flies which be verye straunge, therefore take hēde that they doe not cast a certaine rednesse on your face and body, for where as there be many of them, they be dangerous: it is straunge to tell of these kinde of woymes, if ye come vnder oꝝ among the trēs, where as be many, they wyll cast your face and handes, (your couered body, as your necke, bzeast and armes) full of small spottes, some red, some blacke, some blewisse, which wyll so tynge and trouble you lyke netles, sometymes for a daye, oꝝ a daye and a nyghte after: they be most on Plum trēs, and Apple trēs, nighe vnto moyste places, and yll ayres yet neuerthelesse, by the grace of God there is no daunger (that I vnderstande) to be taken by them. Ye shall vnderstande that if it be in the euening, oꝝ in the morninge, when it rayneth, they wyll remaine about the graffing place of the trē, therefore it wyll be harde to fynde them, because they are so small. Moreover, if suche bzaunches doe remaine in the vpper parte of the bowes oꝝ trē, ye shall bynde of dye strawe about the bowes all vnder, then with a wispe on a poles ende, set fyze on all, and burne them.

A note in spring time of Fumigations

Here is to be vnderstande and noted, that in the spring tyme onely when trees doe beginne to put forth leaues and blossomes, ye must then alwaies take hede vnto them, for to defend them from the frost, (if there come any, with Fumigations or smokes made on the winde side of your Orchards, or vnder your trees) with straw, hey, dry chaffe, drye Dre dung, of sawdust dried in an ouen, of Tanners oze dyed lyke wise, of Galbanum, of olde shoes, thatche of houses, of haye and such lyke, one of these to be blende with another: al these be good against the frost in the spring tyme, and specially good against the East wind, which bze, deth (as some saye) the Caterpyller woyme.

To defend the Caterpyller.

And some doe defend theyr trees from the Caterpyller when the blossoming tyme is drye (if there be no frost) by casting of water, or salte water, euerie seconde or thirde day vpon theyr trees, (with instrumentes for the same, as with squytes of wood or brasse or such like) for in in kaping of them moyst, the Caterpyller cannot bze thereon: this experience haue I knowne proued of late to be good. For to conclude, he that wyll set or plant trees, must not passe for any paines, but haue a pleasure and delight therein, in remembryng the great profyte that cometh thereby: against scarcenesse of Cozne, fruite is god stape for the poze, and often it hath bane saine
one Aker of Orchard ground worth folwe
Aker of wheate grounde,

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Here foloweth a lyttle treatise howe one

*maie graffe and plane, subtyll or artificiallie, and to make
many thynges in Gardens verie straunge.*



D*o to graffe a subtyll way, take one
oylet or eye of a graffe, stytt it rounde, aboue
and beneath, and then behind downe ryght,
then wyrcath him of, and set him vpon ano-
ther Cion, as great as he is, then dresse him
as is aforesayde, and he shall growe and beare.*

To graffe one Vyne vpon another.

F*o to graffe one Vine vpon another, ye shall cleane him
as ye doe other trees, and then put the Vine graffe in the
clift, then stoppe him close and well with ware, and so bind
him and he shall growe.*

If a tree be to long without fruite.

Y*e shall vncouer his roote and make a hole with a Pier-
cer or small awger, in the greatest roote he hath, without
pearring thorow the roote, then put in a pinne (in the sayd
hole) of dyve wood, (as Oke or Ashe) and so let it remaine
in the sayde hole, and stoppe it close againe with ware, and
then cast earth and couer him againe, and he shall beare
the same yeare.*

R. y.

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For to haue Peaches two monethes before other.

Take your Cions of a Peach tre that doth some blossom in the spring tyme, and graffe them vpon a franke Mulbery tre, and he shall bring of Peaches two Monethes before others.

To haue Damsons or other Plums, vnto
Alhallowtide.

For to haue Damsons al the Sommer long vnto Alhallowtide, and of many other kynde of sootes lyke wise; ye shall graffe them vpon the Gosebery tre, vpon the franke Mulbery tre, and vpon the Cherry tre, and they shall endure on the trees tyll Alhallowtide.

To make Medlars, Cheryes and Peaches in eating
to taste like spyce.

For to make Medlars, Cherries and Peaches to taste in the eating pleasaunt lyke spice, the which may also keepe vnto the newe comie againe, ye shall graffe them vpon the franke Mulbery tre; as I haue afore declared and in the grafting, ye shall wette them in hony, and put a lytle of the powder of some good spyes, as the powder of Cloues, of Cinamon or Ginger.

To make a Muscadell taste.

For to make a Muscadell taste, take a gouge or Chetill of yron, (and cut your sappe round about) then put in your gouge or Chetill vnder your sappe on your Cion, and rayse thre eyes or oylettes rounde about, and so take of sayre and softly your barke round about, and when he is so taken of, doe annoynt it all ouer within the bark, with powder of Cloues, or Nutmegs, then set it on againe, and stop it close with ware rounde about, that no water may enter in, and within thre bearing, they shall bring a sayre Muscadell reysen, which ye may after both graffe and plant, and they shall be all after a Muscadell fruite: some styttes the bark downe, and so put in of spice.

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To set Apples and Peares, to come vvithout
blossoming.

FD₂ to make Apples, and Peares, & other sortes of fruite
to come vvithout blossoming, that is, ye shall graffe them
(as ye doe other kinde of fruite) vpon the figge tre.

To haue Apples and Chestnuttres rathe, and also
long on the trees.

FD₂ to haue Apples called (in french) de blanc Durell, o₂
de Yroael, & of Chestnuttres very rathe, and long (as vnto
Alhallowtide) on the trées: and to make such fruite also to
endure, the space of. ij. yeares, ye shall graffe them on a late
ward fruit, as pome Richard, o₂ v^pō a Peare tre, o₂ Apple
tre of Dāgoisse.

To haue good Cherries on the trees, at Alhallowtide.

To haue Cherries on many trées, good for to eate vnto Al
hollontide, ye shall graffe them vpon a franke Mulbery
tre, and likewise to graffe them vpon a Willow, o₂ fallow
tre, and they shall endure vnto Alhallontide, on the trées.

To haue rathe Medlars tvvo Monethes before others.

FD₂ to haue Medlars tvvo Monethes sooner than others:
and that the one shall be better farre than the other, ye
shall graffe them vpon a Gooseberry tre, and also a franke
Mulbery tre, and befoze ye doe graffe them, ye shall wette
them in Honnie, and then graffe them.

For to haue rathe or tymelie Peares.

FD₂ to haue a rathe Peare the which is in Fraunce, as the
Peare Cailonet, and the Peare Hattinean. For to haue
them rathe o₂ sone, ye shall graffe them on the Pine tre:
And for to haue them late, ye shall graffe them on the Peare
called in Fraunce Dangoisse, o₂ on other like hard Peares.

To haue Misples or Medlars vvithout stones.

FD₂ to haue Medlars vvithout stones, the which shall taste
swete as hony, ye shall graffe them as the other, vpon an
Eglantine

Eglentine or swāte Bziar trē, and ye shall wet the grasse (befoze ye graffe them) in honie.

To haue Peares betimes.

For to haue the Peare of Anguisse, or Permain, or Sangle, (which be of certaine places so called) a moneth or two, befoze others, the which shall endure, and be good vnto the newe come againe, ye shall graffe them vpon a Duince trē, and lykelike vpon the franke Mulbery trē.

To haue ripe or franke mulberies very soone and late.

For to haue franck or ripe Mulberies very soone, ye shall graffe them vpon a rath Peare trē, and vpon the Gosebery trē, and to haue very late and to endure vnto Alhale lowtide, ye shall graffe them vpon the Medlar trē.

To keepe Peares a yeare.

How soe to keepe Peares a yeare: ye shall take of fine salt very dnye, and put thereof with your Peares into a Barrell, in such sort that one Peare doe not touch another, so fyll the barrell if ye lyst, then stoppe it, and let it be set in some dyle place, that the salt doe not wawe moyst, thus ye may keepe them long and good.

To haue your fruite taste halfe Apples, halfe Peares.

If ye wyl haue your fruite taste halfe a peare and halfe an Apple, ye shall in the spring take grasses, the one a Peare, and the other an Apple, ye shall cleaue or pare them in the grafting ioynt or place, and ioyne halfe the Peare Cion, & so set them into your stocke, and see well that no rayne doe enter therein vpon your ioynt, and that fruite shall bring the halfe a Peare, and the other halfe an Apple, in taste.

Tymes of Grafting.

It is good also to graffe one or two daies befoze the chauge, no more, for loke so many more dayes as ye shall graffe befoze them, so many more yeares it wyl be, ere your trēs shall bring fruite, also it is good grafting all the increase of the

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the *Stone*, but the sooner after the change the better.

To graffe the Quyne Apple.

If ye graffe the Quyne apple, vpon an Apple stock, he shall not long continue without the Canker, but to graffe him on a knottie yong Crabstocke, he shall endure long without the Canker.

To destroy Pismians or Anres: about a tree.

For to destroy Emets or Antes, which be about a tree, if ye remove and styre the earth all about the roote, of the sayde tree, then put thereon all about, a great quantitie of the southe of a Chimney, and the Antes or Pismians wyl crye away, or else shortly dye.

Another for the same.

Also another way for to destroy Antes is, ye shall take of the sawe dust of Oke wood onely, and strowe that all about the tree roote, & the next rayne that doth come, all the Pismians or Antes shall die there: for earwigs, shes stopt with hay, and hanged on the tree one night, they come all in.

To haue Nuttes, Plums, and Almondes.

Nuttes greater than others.

For to haue great Nuttes, Plums and Almondes greater than others, ye shall take foure Nuttes, or of any of this fruite aboue sayd, and put them into a pot of earth, ioyning the one to the other as nere as ye can, then make a hole in the bottome of the pottle, thow the which hole, these Nuts shall be constrained to yssue, and being so constrained, shall come to perfection and growe togythers as in one tree, the which in time shall bying his fruite moze greater and larger, than others.

To make an Oke or other tree greene in vwynter as in Sommer.

Also to make an Oke or other tree to be greene as well in Wynter as Sommer, ye shall take the graffe of an

an Oke tree, or other tree, and graffe it vpon the holy tree the best and most surest way is, to graffe one through the other. Also who so will edifie or make an Orchard, he ought (if he can) to make it in a moyst place, where as the South windes, or sea windes may haue recourse vnto them.

The time of planting without rootes, and with rootes:

Also the best time to plant or set without rootes as with branches or steeurings of all sortes of trees which hath a great pithe, as fygge trees, Wasell trees, Mulbery trees, & vines, with other lyke trees, al which ought to be set from the mids of September, (if the leaues be off) vnto Alhallow tyde, & all other trees with rootes, ought to be set in Advent vntyll Christmasse, or anone after, if the time be not very colde and daungerous.

To keepe fruit from the frost.

Also to keepe fruit from the frost, & in good colour, vnto the new come again, ye ought so for to gather the, when the tyme is saye & dry, & the Mone in hir decresing, & that they ly also in very dry places by night, couered thin with wheat strawe, and if the tyme of Winter be colde and very hard, then put of haye about them in your strawe, and take it away when as a saye time cometh: and thus ye shal keepe your fruit saye and good.

The dayes to plant and graffe.

Also (as some say) from the fyrst day of the new Mone, vnto the. xij. day thereof, is good for to plant, or graffe, or solwe, and for great neede, some doe take vnto the. xviij. or xviij. day thereof, and not after, neyther graffe, nor solwe, but as is afoze mencioned, a daye or two dayes afoze the chaunge, the best sygnes are, Taurus, Virgo, and Capricorne.

To haue greene Roses all the yeare.

For to haue greene Roses, ye shal (as some say) take your Rose buds, in the spring tyme, & then graffe them vpon the holly stocke, and they shall be greene all the yeare.

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To keepe Keysons or Grapes good a yeare.

Fo to keape Keysons oꝝ Grapes good all a whole yeare, ye shall take of fine drye sande, & then lay your Keysons oꝝ Grapes therein, and it shall keepe them good a whole yeare, some keape them in a close glasse from the ayze.

To make fruite laxatiue from the tree.

Fo to make any fruite laxatiue from the tre, what fruit soeuer it be, make a hole in the stocke, oꝝ in the Baitter roote of the tre, (with a great pearcer slope wise) not thorow, but vnto the pythe, oꝝ somewhat further, then fyll the sayde hole with the ioyce of Elder, of Cennori, of Seney, oꝝ of Turbich, oꝝ such like laxatiues, then fyll the sayd hole therewith of which of them ye wyll, oꝝ else ye may take thre of them togythers, and fyll the sayd hole therewith, and then stoppe the sayde hole close with softe ware, then claye it thercon, and put mosse very well ouer all, so that nothinge may issue oꝝ fall out, and all the fruite of the sayde tre shall be from thencefoꝝth laxatiue.

A note for all Graffers and Planters.

Also whensoever ye shall plant oꝝ graffe, it shal be mete and good for you to saye as followeth. In the name of God the ffather, the Sonne and the holy Ghost, Amen. Increase and multiplie, and replenishe the earth: and saye the Lozdes prayer, then saye: Lord God heare my prayer, and let this my desyre of thæ be hearde. The holy spirite of God which hath created al thinges foꝝ man, and hath giuen them foꝝ our comfort, in thy name O Lozde we set, Plant, & Graffe, desiring that by thy mighty power they maye encrease, and multiplie vppon the earth, in bearing plenty of fruite, to the profite and comfort of all thy saythfull people, thozow Christ our Lozde. Amen.

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*Here followeth certayne wayes of plan-
ting and grafting, with other necessities herein meete to
beknowne, translated out of Dutch by L. M.*

To graffe one Vine on another.



Y Du that wyl graffe one Vine vpon another,
ye shall (in Januarie) cleaue the head of the
Vine, as ye doe other Stockes, & then put in
your Vine graffe oꝝ Cion, but first ye must
pare him thin, ere ye set him in the head, the
clay and moule him as the other.

Chosen dayes to graffe in, and to choose
your Cions.

Also whensoever that ye wyl graffe, the best chosen
tymes is on the last day before the chaunge, and also in
the chaunge, and on the second day after the chaunge, if ye
graffe (as some saye) on the thirde, fourth & fift day after the
chaunge, it wyl be so many yeres ere those træs bying forth
fruite.

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fruit. Which thing ye may beleue if ye wil, but I wyl not. For some doe hold opinion, that it is good graffing from the change vnto the xviij. day thereof, which I think to be good in all the increase of the yere, but the soner the better.

To gather your Cions.

Also such Cions or grasses which ye doe get on the other trees, the yong trees of thre or foure yeares, or v. or vi. yeares are best to haue grasses. Take them of no vnder bowes, but in the top vpon the East syde, if ye can, and of the sayest and greatest. Ye shall cut them y inches long of the olde wood, beneath the ioynt. And whensoever ye wyl graffe, cut or pare your grasses taperwise from the ioynt two ynches or more of length, which ye shall sette into the stocke: and before ye sette it in, ye shall open your stocke wyth a wedge of yron, or harde wood, saye and softly: then if the sydes of your cleftes be ragged, ye shall pare them with the point of a sharpe knife on both sydes within and aboue, the set in your grasses close on the outsydes and also aboue: but let your stocke be as lytle while open as ye can, and when your grasses be well set in, plucke forth your wedge: and if your stocke doe pinche your grasses muche, then ye must put in a wedge of the same woodde for to helpe your grasses: Then ye shall laye a thicke barke or pyll ouer the cleft from the one graffe to the other, to keepe out the claye and rayne, and so claye them two fingers thicke rounde about the clyffes, and then laye on Masse, but Wall is better next to your claye, or else to temper your claye with Wall or haire, for it shall make it hyde closer and also stronger on the stocke heade. Some take Wall next the clay and wrap peth it all ouer with linnen clowtes: for the Wall being once moyste, wyl keepe the clay so a long time. And other some take Wallen clowtes that haue bene layde in the iuyce of Moorme wood, or suche lyke bytter thing, to keepe creeping Moormes from comming, vnder to the Grasses.

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If ye graffe in wynter put your clay byppermost, for somer your mosse. For in wynter the mosse is warme, and your claye wyl not cleaue. In Sommer your clay is colde, and your mosse kepkes him from cleauing or chapping. To bind then, take of wylloto pilles, of clouen byiers, of Wyers, or such lyke. To gather your graffes on the East part of the tre is counted best: if ye gather them belowe on the vnder boughes, they wyl grow flaggie and spreding abrode: if ye take them in the top of the tre, they wyl grow vpright. Yet some doe gather theyr Cions or graffes on the sydes of the trees, and so graffe them againe on the lyke sydes of the stockes, the which is of some men not counted so good for fruite. It is not good to graffe a great stocke, for they wyl be long ere they couer the head thereof.

Of vvormes in trees or fruite.

If ye haue any træs eaten with woorms, or do bring woormy fruite, ye shall vse to wash all his body a great bzaunches with two partes of Rowpisse, and one part of Vineger, or else if ye can get no Vineger, with Rowpisse alone, tempered with common ashes: then washe your træs therewith before the Spring, and in the Spring, or in Sommer, Annis sodes solue about the træ rootes, drie away woormes, and the fruite shall be the swæter.

The setting of Stones, and ordering thereof.

As for Almonde træs, Peach træs, Cherry træs, Plum træs, or others, ye shal thus plant or set them. Lay first the Stones in water thre dayes and foure nightes, vntyll they sinke therein: then take them betwixt your finger and your thumb, with the small ende vprward, and so set them two fingers deepe in good earth. And when ye haue so done, ye shal rake them al ouer and so couer them: and whē they begin to grow or spring, kepe them from wædes: and they shal prosper the better, specially in the first yere. And with

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in two or thre yeares after, ye maye sette or remoue them where ye list, then if ye doe remoue them againe after that, ye must prouyne of all his twigges as ye shall see cause, nigh the stocke: thus ye may doe of all kind of trees, but specially those which haue the great sappe, as the Mulbery, or Figge tree, or such lyke.

To gather Gumme of any tree.

If ye lyst to haue the Gumme of an Almond tree, ye shall stryke a great nayle into the tree, a good waye, and so lette him rest, and the Gumme (of the tree) shall issue thereat: thus doe men gather Gumme of all sortes of trees: yea the common Gumme that men doe vse and occupie.

To sette a vvhole Apple.

Also some saye, that if ye sette a whole Apple foure fingers in the earth, all the Pepines or curnelles in the same Apple, wyll grow vp togethers in one whole stocke or Cion, & all those Apples shal be much fayer and greater than others: but ye must take hede, how ye doe set those Apples, whiche doe come in a leape yeare, for in a leape yeare (as some doe say) the curnelles or Pepines are turned contrary, for if ye should so set, as commonly a man doth, ye shall sette them contrary.

Of setting the Almonde.

Almondes doe come forth and growe commonly well, if they be set without the shell or huske, in good earth, or in rotten hogges dong: if ye lay Almondes, one daye in vineger, then shall they (as some saye,) be very good to plant, or lay him in milke and water untill he doe sinke, it shall be the better to sette, or any other nutte.

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THE Pepines and curnels of those trées whiche haue a thicke or rough barke, if ye laye them thre dayes in water, or else vntyll they sincke therein, they shall be the better, then set them, or sewe them, as is afoze mencioned, and then remoueth them, when they be well rooted, of thre or foure yeares growth, and they shall haue a thin barke.

To plant or set Vines.

IF ye plant or set Vines, in the first or second yeare they wyl bring no fruit, but in the third yeare they wyl beare, if they be well kept, ye shall cut them in Januarie, and set them sone after they be cut from the Vine, and ye shall set two together, the one with the olde wood, & the other without, and so let them grow in plucking away al wodes from about them, and when ye shall remoue them in the second or third yeare, being well rooted, ye shall set them wel a fote deepe (in good fat earth) with good dung, as of one fote deepe or thereabouts, & keepe them cleane from wodes, for then they wyl prosper the better, & in sommer when the Grape is knytte, then ye shall bzeake of his top or bzaunch, at one or two ioyntes after the grape, and so the grape shall be the greater, and in the Winter when ye cut them, ye shall not leaue pass two or thre leaders on each bzaunche, on some bzaunche but one leader, which must be cut betwixt two ioyntes, and ye shall leaue the yong Vine to be the leader, also ye shall leaue thereof thre or foure ioyntes at al times, if a yong Cion do come forth of the old bzaunche or side thereof, if ye do cut him, ye shall cut him hard by the old bzaunch, & if ye wyl haue him to bring the grape next yeare, ye shall leaue two or thre ioynts thereof, for y yong Cion alwayes bringeth the grape: ye may at all times, so that the grape be once taken and knyt, euer as the superfluous Cions doe growe, ye maye bzeake them of at a ioynt, or hardly by the
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olbe bzaunche, and the grapes wyll be the greater: thus ye maye order your Vine all the Sommer long without any hurte.

To set or plant the Cherrie.

Cherrie trées, and all the trées of stone fruite, would be planted oꝝ sette of Cions, in colde groundes and places of good earth, and lyke wise in highe oꝝ hyllic places, dꝛye and well in the shade: yf ye doe remoue, ye ought to remoue them in Nouember and Januarie, if ye shall see your Cherry trée waxe rotten, then shall ye make a hole in the myddes of the body two foote about the grounde, with a bygge Bearcer, that the humoꝝ may passe forth thereby, then afoze the spꝛing, shutte him vp againe with a pynne of the same trée: thus ye may doe vnto all other soꝛtes of trées when they beginne to rotte, and is also good foꝝ them which beare scant of fruite oꝝ none.

To keepe Cherries good a yeare.

FOR to kápe Cherries good a yeare, ye shall cutte of the stalkes, and then laye them in a well leaded potte, and fylle the sayde potte therewith, then put vnto them of good thynne hony, and fylle the sayde potte therewith, then stoppe it with claye that no ayze enter in, then set it in some sayze Seller, and put of sande vnder, and all about it, and couer the potte well withall, so let it stande oꝝ remaine: thus ye maye kápe them a yeare, as freshe as though they came fro the trée, and after this soꝛt ye maye kápe Beares, oꝝ othꝛ fruite.

Against Pismians.

If ye haue Cherry trées laded oꝝ troubled with Pismians oꝝ Antes, ye shall rub the body of the trée, and all about the roote with the iuyce of Wurslayne, mingled halfe with Glueger. Some doe vse to annoynt the trée beneath all about

bout the body, with tarre and byrde lyme, with waul oyle boyled together, and annoynt the tre beneath therewith, and doe laye of chalik stones all about the tre roote, some saye it is god therfoze.

The setting of Chestnuttes.

THe Chestnutte tre, men doe vse to plant lyke vnto the figge tre. They may be both planted and grafted wel, they waxe well in freshe and fatte earth, for in sande they lyke not: if ye wyl set the curnels, ye shal lay them in water vntyll they doe sinck, and those that doe sinck to the bottoome of the water, be best to set, which ye shal sette in the Moneth of Nouember & December, foure syngers deepe, a fote one from another, for when they be in these two Monethes set or planted, they shal endure long, and beare also god fruite, yet some there be that plant or sette them fyrst in dong, lyke beanes, which wll be sweter than the other sozt, but those which be set in the two Monethes asforesayde, shal first beare theyr fruite: men maye proue which is best, experience doth teach. This is another way to proue and knowe, which Chestnuttes be best to plant or set, that is: ye shal take a quantitie of puttes, then laye them in sande the space of. xxx. dayes: then take and washe them in water saye and cleane, and thowe them into water againe, and those which doe sincke to the bottome, are god to plant or set, and the other that swimme are naught: thus maye ye doe with all other curnels or puttes.

To haue all stone fruite taste, as ye shall thinke good.

If ye wyl haue al stone fruit tast as ye shal fanse, or think good, ye shal fyrst lay your stones to soke in such lycor or moysture, as ye wyl haue the fruite taste of, and then sette them: as for the Date tre (as some saye) he byngeth no fruite except he be a hundred yeares olde, & the Date stone must soke one moneth in the water befoze ye be sette, then
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shall ye set him with the small ende vpiwarde, in good satte earth, in hote sandy ground foure fingers deepe, and when the bolues doe beginne to spring, then shall ye euery night sprinckle them with raine water, (or other if ye haue none) so long tyll they become forth and growne.

Of graffing the Medlar and Mispale.

For to graffe the Medlar or Mispale: men doe vse to graffe them on the white Hathorne tre, they wyll proue well, but yet small and lowe fruite: to graffe one Medlar vpon another is the better, some men doe graffe first the wilding Cion, vpon the Medlar stocke, and so when he is wel taken and growne, then they graffe thereon the Medlar againe, the whiche doth make them moze swete, verie great and sayre.

Of the figge tree.

The figge tre in some countrey, beareth his fruite foure times a yeare, the black figges are the best, being dreyed in the Sunne, and then layd in a vessell in beddes one by another, and then sprinckled or strawed all ouer, euery laye with fine meale, then stoppe it vp, and so it is sent out of the lande. If the figge tre wyll not beare, ye shall digge him all about, and vnder the rootes in februarye, and take out then all his earth, and put vnto him the dong of a prync, for that he lyketh best: ye maye mingle with it of other fat earth, as Pigeons dong mingled with Oyle and Pepper stamp, which shall forwarde him much to noynt his rootes therewith: ye shall not plant the figge tre in cold tymes, he loueth hote, stony, or grauely ground, and to be planted in Autumne is best.

Of the Mulberie tree.

If ye wyl plant the Mulberie tre, the figge tre or others which bring no sode, ye shall cut a twigge or bzaunche (from the tre roote) of a yeres growth, with the old wod or barke, about a cubite long, which ye shall plant or set all in

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the earth, saue a shaftment long of it, and so let it growe, in watering it as ye shall see neede. This must be done before the leaues beginne to spryng, but take hede that ye cut not the ende oꝝ top about, foꝝ then it shall wyther and dye.

Of trees that beare bytter fruite.

Of all such træs as beare bytter fruite, to make them bying swater, ye shall vncouer all the rootes in Ianua-
rie,) and take out al that earth, then put vnto them of Hogs
dung great plentie, and then after put vnto them of other
god earth, and so couer them therewithall well againe, and
they fruite shall haue a swater taste: thus men maye doe
with other træs which bying bytter fruite.

To helpe barren trees.

Here is another waye to helpe baren træs, that they
may bying fruite: if ye see your træ not beare scantly in
thre oꝝ foure yeares good plentie, ye shall boze an hole
with an Auger oꝝ pearcer, in the greatestt place of the body,
(within a yarde of the ground) but not thowse, but vnto
oꝝ past the hart, ye shal boze him a slope: then take hony and
water mingled togyther a night before, then put the sayde
hony and water into the hole, and fyll it therewith, then stop
it close with a thort pinne, made of the same træ, not stry-
ken into farre, foꝝ pearcing the lycour.

Another vwaye.

In the beginning of Wynter ye shall digge those træs
rournde about the rootes, and let them so rest a daye and a
night, and then put vnto them of god earth, myngled well
with god stoe of watered Mtes, oꝝ with watered Farley oꝝ
Wheate, layde next vnto the rootes, then fyll it with other
god earth, and he shall beare fruite, euen as the bozing of a
hole in the mayster roote, and strike in a pinne, and so fyll
him againe, shall helpe him to beare, as afoze declared.

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to keepe your fruite.

Al fruite may be the better kept, if ye laye them in drye places, in drye strawe or hey, but hey ryppeth to soze, or in a barley mow not touching one the other, or in chaffe, or in vessels of Juniper, or Sypers wood, ye maye so keepe them well in dry salt or hony, & vpon boydes where as fyze is nigh all the winter, also hanging nie fyze in the wynter, in nettes of yarne.

The Mulberie tree.

The Mulberie trée is planted or sette by the Fygge trée, his fruite is first soure and then swete, he liketh neither dewe nor rayne, for they hurt him, he is well pleased with fowle earth or dong, his bzanches wyll ware drye within euery fyre yeares, then must ye cutte them of, as for other trées: they ought to be prynced euery yeare as ye shall see cause, and they wyll be the better, and to plant hym from myd February, to myd March is best.

Of Mosse on the tree.

Of the Mosse on your trées, ye must not let it to long be vncleanfed, ye must rub it of with a grate of wood, or a roughe hayze, or suche lyke, in Wynter when they be moist or wet, for then it wyll of the sooner, for mosse doth take away the strength and substance of the fruit, & makes the trées barren at length: when ye see your trées begin to ware mossie, ye must in the Wynter vncouer their rootes, & put vnder them good earth, this shall helpe them and keepe them long without mosse: for the earth not dryed aboue the roote, is one cause of mossynesse, and also the barrennesse of the grounde whereon he standeth, and your mosse doth sucker in Wynter, sapes and other vermin, and so doth therein hide them in Sommer, which is occasion of eating the blossomes and tender Citons thereof.

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To keepe Nuttes long.

For to keepe Nuts long, ye shall drye them & couer them in drie sande, and put them in a drie bladder, or in a fatte made of Walnut tre, & put of drie Iule berpes therin, and they shal be much sweeter. To keepe Nuttes greene a yeaer, and also freshe, ye shall put them into a pottle with heny, and they shall continue freshe a yeaer, and the sayde hony wyll be gentle & good for many medicines. To keepe Walnuts freshe and greene in the time of strayingning of Aieruice, ye shall take of that pommis, & put therof in the bottome of a barrell, then lay your Walnuts all ouer, then pomis ouer them, and so Walnuts againe, and then of the pommis, as ye shall see cause to fyll your becell. When stoppe him close as ye doe a barrell, & set him in your Seller or other place, and it shall keepe your Nuttes freshe and greene a yeaer. Some vse to fyll an earthen pottle with small Nuttes, and then put to them drie sande, and couer them with a lyd of earth or stone, and then they clay it, setting the mouth of the pot downward, two foote within the earth, in theyr Garden or other place, and so they wyll keepe very moyst & swete vntyll new come.

To cut the Peache tree.

The Peache tre is of this nature, if he be cut (as some say) greene, it wyll wyther and drie. Therefore if ye cut any small bzaunche, cut it harde by the body: the wythered twigges euer as they wyther, must be cut of harde by the great bzaunche or body thereof, for then they doe prosper the better. If a Peache tre doe not lyke, ye shall put to his rootes, the Lees of Wine mingled with water, & also washe his rootes therewith, and likewise the bzaunches, then couer him againe with good earth mingled with his owne leanes, for thos he lyketh best. Ye may graffe Peach vpon Peach, vpon Hasill, or Ash, or vpon Cherrie tre, or ye may graffe the Almonde vpon the Peache tre. And to haue great Peaches

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ches, ye must take Cowes milke, and put god earth therto, then all to strike the body of the tre therewith both vpyward and downe warde, or else open the roote all bare thre dayes and thre nightes, then take goates mylke, and wash all the rootes therewith, and then couer them againe: this must be done when they begin to blossome, & so shall he bying great Peaches.

To colour Peache stones.

TO colour Peache stones, that all the fruite thereof shall haue the lyke colour hereafter, that is: ye shall laye or set Peache stones in the earth seuen dayes or more, vntyll ye shall see the stones beginne to open, then take the stones and the carnelles softly forth thereof, and what colour ye wyl, colour the curnel therewith, and put them into the shel agayne, then bynde it fast togyther and sette it in the earth, with the small ende vpywarde, and so let him growe, and all the Peaches which shall come of the same fruite (grafted or vngrafted) wyl be of the same colour. The Peach tre ought to be planted in Autumne, befoze the colde doe come, for he can not abyde the colde.

If Peache trees be troubled vvith vvormes.

ALso if any Peach tre be troubled with wormes, ye shall take tvis partes of Cowe pisse, with one parte of Clay, neger, then shall ye sprinckle the tre all ouer therewith, and washe his rootes and bzaunches also, and it wyl kyl the wormes, this may ye doe vnto al other trees, which be troubled with wormes.

To haue the Peache vvithout stones.

FOR to make the Peache grow vvithout stones, ye shall take a Peache tre newlie planted, then set a Willowe harde by, which ye shall bore a hole throuwe, then put the Peache tre throuwe the sayde hole, and so close him on both sides therof, sappe to sappe, and let him so grow one yeare, then

then the next yeare ye shall cutte of the Peache stocke, and let the Willow fade him, and cutte of the vpper part of the Willow also thre fingers hie: and the next winter sawe him of nigh the Peache, so that the Willow shall fade but the Peache only: and this way ye maye haue peaches without stones.

A nother vway for the same.

Ye shall take the graffes of Peaches, and graffe them vpon the Willow stocke, and so shall your Peaches be lykewise without stones.

If trees doe not prosper.

If that ye see that your trees do not waxe nor prosper, take and open the rootes in the beginning of January or afoze, and in the biggest rote therof, make a hole with an auger, to the pythe or more, then drye therein a pinne of Wke & so stop it againe close, and let it be well wart all about the pinne, then couer him againe with good earth, and he shall doe well, some doe vse to cleaue the rote.

Howe to graffe Apples to last on the trees
tyll Alhallouytide.

Howe ye maye haue many sortes of Apples vpon your trees vntyll Alhallowtide, that is, ye shall graffe your Apples vpon the Bulbery tree, and vpon the Cherry tree.

To make Cherries and Peaches smell, and
taste lyke spice.

Howe to make that Cherries and Peaches shall be pleasant, and shall smell and taste lyke spice, & that ye may keape them well, tyll the newe doe come againe, ye shall graffe them on the Bulbery tree, as is aforesayde: but first ye shall soake them in hony and water, wherein ye shall put of the powder of Cloues, Ginger and Cinamon.

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To graffe an Apple vvhich shall be halfe swete,
and halfe solwer.

TO graffe that your Apples shalbe the one halfe swete, & the other halfe solwer: ye shall take two Cions, the one swete and the other solwer, some doe put the one Cion thorough the other, and so graffes them betwene the barke and the tre: and some againe doe pare both the Cions synelie, and so settes them ioynning into the stocke, inclofing sappe to sappe, on both the outsydes of the graffes, vnto the outsydes of the stocke, and so settes them into the heade as the other: and they shall bring fruite, the one halfe swete, and the other halfe solwer.

To graffe a Rose on the holly.

FO; to graffe the Holly, that his leaues shall keepe all the yeare greene, some do take & cleaue the Holly, & so graffs in a white or redde Rose bud, and then putteth clay & mosse to him, and letteth him grow, and some doe put the Rose bud into a lyf of the barke, & so putteth clay & Mosse, and bindes him seafely therein, and letteth him growe, and he shall carrye his leaue all the yeare.

Of keeping of Plums.

OF Plums there be many sortes, as Damsons, which be all blacke, and counted the best: All maner of other Plums a man maye keepe well a yeare, if they be gathered ripe, and then dreyed, and put into vesselles of Glasse: if ye cannot drey them well in the sunne, ye shal drey them on hurdels of Dyars made like Lettis windowes, in a hote Dye after bread is drawne forth, & so reserue them. If a Plum tre lyke not, open his roote, & powze in all about the Dreggs of Wine, myrt with water, and so couer him well agayne, or powze on them stale vyne or olde piss of olde men, mixed with two partes of water, and so couer him as before.

Of

Of altering of Peares, or stony fraite,

If a Pearce doe taste hard, or grauelly about the roze, lyke small stones, ye shall vncouer his roze (in the winter, or afoze the spring) and take out all the earth thereof, and pick out all the stones, as cleane from the earth as ye can about his roze, then syt that earth, or else take of other good fatte earth without stones, and syl al his rozes againe therewith, and he shall bzyn a soft and gentle Pearce to cate, but ye must se well to the watering of him often.

The making of Cyder and Pyrrye.

Of Apples and Peares, men doe make Cyder and Pirrie, & because the vse thereof in most places is knowne, I wyl here let passe any further thereof, but this (in the pressing your Cyder) I wyl counsel you to keepe cleane your vessels, and the places wheras your fraite doth lye, and specially after it is bzused or bzoken, for then they drawe fylthy ayre vnto them, and if it be nighe, the Cyder shall be infected therewith, and also beare the taste after the infection therof: therefore as soone as you can, tunne it into cleane and swete vessels, as into vessels of white Wine, or of Sacke, or Claret and such like, for these shall keepe your Cyder the better and the stronger, along time after: ye may hang a small bag of linnen, by a thred dowe into the lower part of your vessell, with powder of Cloues, Pace, Cynamon, Ginger, and such lyke, which wyl make your Cyder to haue a pleasaunt taste.

To helpe frosen Apples.

Of Apples that be frosen in the colde and extreme winter. The remedy to haue the yse out of them is this. Ye shall lay them first in colde water a while, & then laye them before the fyre, or other heate, and they shal come to themselves againe.

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To make Apples fall from the tree.

If ye put of fiery coles vnder an Apple trée, and then cast of the powder of bymstone therein, and the fume thereof ascend vp, and touch any Apple that is wet, that Apple shal fall incontinent.

To vvater trees in Sommer, if they vvaxe drye about the roote.

Whereas Apple trées be sette in dyve grounde, and not deepe in the grounde, in Sommer if they want moy'store, ye shal take of wheate straw, or other, and euery euening (or as ye shal see cause) cast thereon water al about, and it wyll keape the trées moy'st from tyme to tyme.

To cherrie Apple trees.

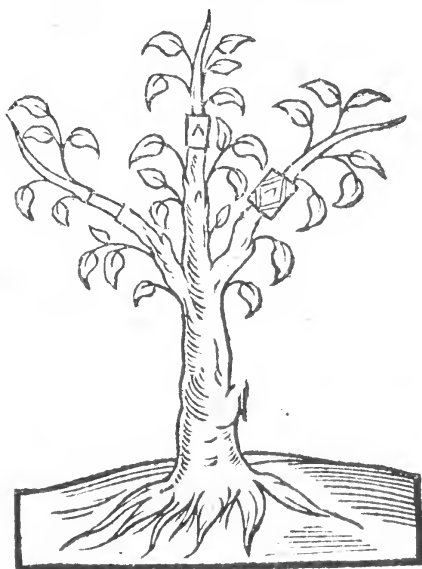
If ye vse to throw (in Winter) all about your Apple trées on the rootes thereof, the vyne of olde men, or of scalepisse long kept, they shal bying fruite much better, which is good for the Vine also, or if ye doe spynckle or annoynt your Apple trée rootes with the Gall of a Bull, they shal beare the better.

To make an Apple grove in a Glasse.

To make an Apple growe within a Glasse, take a Glasse what fashon ye lyst, and put your Apple therein when he is but small, and bynde him fast to the Glasse, and the Glasse also to the trée, and let him growe, thus ye may haue Apples of diuers proportions, according to the fashon of your Glasse, thus maye ye make of
Coucombers, Courdes, or
Pomecitrons, the lyke
fashon.

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These thre bzaunches a figure of grafting in the shilde in Sommer is, the first bzaunch sheweth how the bark is taken of, the myddle place sheweth, howe it is set to, and the last bzaunche, sheweth howe to binde him on, in sauing the Dylet or eye from bzusing.

To grasse many sortes of Apples on one tree.

Ye may grasse on one Apple tre at once, many kinde of Apples, as on every bzaunch a contrary fruite, as is afore declared, and of yeares the lyke: but see as nigh as ye can, that all your Clons be of lyke springing, soz else the one wyll out growe and shaddowe the other.

To colour Apples.

To haue coloured Apples, with what colour ye shal think god. ye shall bore slope a hole with an auger, in the byggest part of the body of the tre, vnto 2 myds therof, or thereabouts,

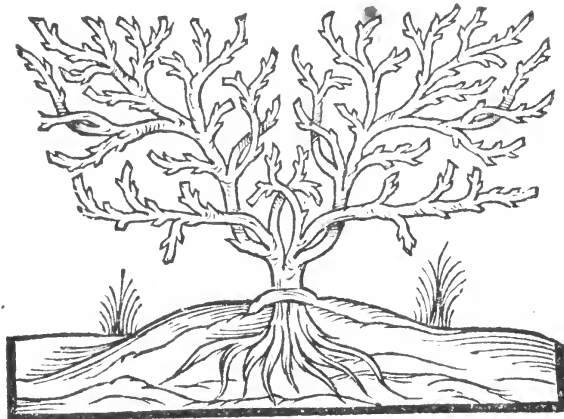
abouts, & then looke what colour ye wyll haue them of, first ye shal take water, & mingle your colour therewith, the stop it vp againe, with a shoyt pinne made of the same wood or træ, then ware it round about: ye may mingle with the said colour what spice ye lyst, to make them tast thereafter, thus may ye chaunge the colour & tast of any Apple: your colours may be of Saffron, tourne soule, bzafel Saunders, or other what ye shall see good. This must be done befoze y^e spring do come: some doe say, if ye graffe on the Olive stock, or on the Alder stocke, they wyll bring red Apples: also they saye, to graffe to haue fruite without coze, ye shal graffe in both the endes of your Cion into y^e stock, & when they be fast grown to the stock, ye shal cut it in the myds, & let the smaller ende growe vpward: or else take a Cion and graffe the small end of the stock downwarde, & so shall ye haue your Apple træ on S. Lamberts day, (which is the. xij. of September) they shal neuer wast, consume, nor waye dze, which I doubt.

The setting of Vine plantes.



These figures doe shewe how ye ought to plant & set your Vines, in two & two together. the one to haue a part of the old træ, & the other may be al of the last Cion: but when ye plant him with a part of the old træ, he shall commonlie take roote the soner thā the new Cion: ye must wade them euery moneth, and let not the earth be too close about theyr rootes at the fyrst, but now and then lose it with a spade as ye shall see a rayne past, for then they shall enlarge, and put forth better. Further herein ye shall vnderstand after.

Howe to proyne or cutte a Vine in vvinter.



This figure sheweth, howe all Vines should be prynced and cutte, in a conuenient tyme after Chyristmasse, that when ye cut them, ye shall leaue his bzanches very thinne, as ye see by this figure: ye shall neuer leaue aboue two, or thre leaders at the heade of any pyncipall bzanche ye must also cut them of in the myddst betwæne the knottes of the yong Cions, for those be the leaders which wyll bring the grape, the rest and order ye shall vnderstand as followeth.

Of the Vine and Grape.

Somewhat I intend to speake of the ordering of the Vine & grape, to plant or set the Vine: the plants or sets which be gathered from the Vine (and so planted) are best, they must not be olde gathered, nor lye long unplanted after they be cutte, for then they wyll some gather corruption, and when ye doe gather your plantes, ye must take hede to cutte and chosse them, whereas ye maye with the yong Cion, a ioynt
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of the old wood with the new, for y^e old wood wyl soner take
rote than the new, & better to grow than if it were al yong
Cion, ye shall leaue the old wood to the yong Cion, a fote o^r
halfe a fote, o^r a shaftment long, the yong Cion ye shall cut
the length of thre quarters of a yard o^r there aboutes, & ye
shall chosse of those yong Cions that be thickest ioynted, o^r
nigh ioynts togithers, and when ye shall plant o^r set them,
loke that your ground be well digged in the wynter be-
foze, then in Januarie ye may both cut and plant, but cut
not in the frost, for that is daunger of all kind of træs, o^r ye
may plant in the beginning of february, and when ye doe
plant, ye shall take two of those plantes, and set o^r lay them
togither, a fote deepe in the earth, for two plantes set togy-
ther wyl not so sone fayle, as one alone, and lay them a fote
long wise in the earth, so that there may be aboue the earth
thre o^r foure ioyntes, ye maye plant a yong Cion with the
olde, so that he be thicke o^r nigh ioynted, for then he is the
better to rote, & also to bring fruite: then when ye haue set
o^r layd them in the earth, then couer them wel therewith, in
treading it fast downe vnto the plants, but let the endes of
your Cions o^r plants be turned vp right, aboue the earth
thre o^r foure ioyntes, if there shall be more when they be
set, ye shall cut them of, and ye shall cut them alwayes in
the myddes betwene the two ioyntes, and then let them so
grow, and se that ye weede them alwayes cleane, and once
a moneth lose the earth round about them, and they shall
proue the better: if it be very dry and hote in the Sommer
after, ye may water them, in making a hole with a rowl of
yron to the rote, & there ye shall poure in water, in the eue-
ning. As for the prouyning of them is, when the grape is ta-
ken and clustered, then ye maye breake the next ioynt o^r
two after the grape, of al such superfluous Cions as ye shal
se cause, which wyl cause the grape to ware bigger: ye may
also breake awaye all suche superfluous budbes o^r slender
bzaunches, which cometh about the rote, o^r on the vnder

bzaunches, which ye thinke wyl haue no grape, and when
 ye proyne or cut them in Winter following, ye shall not
 cut the yong Cion nigh the old, by thre or foure ioyntes, ye
 shall not cut them like Wyars, to leaue a sort of heads togi-
 ther on the bzaunche, which doth kyl your vine, ye shal leaue
 but one head, or two at the most, of the yong Cions, byppon
 the olde bzaunche, and to cut those yong Cions thre or foure
 knettes or ioyntes of, for the yong Cion doth carry the grape
 alwayes, and when ye leaue vpon a great bzaunche many
 Cions, they cannot be wel nourished, & after ye haue so cut
 them in Winter, ye shal bind them with Wyars, in placing
 those yong bzaunches as ye shall see cause, and in the spring
 tyme, when the bzaunches are tender, ye shall binde them
 so, that the stormie tempest or winde do not hurt them, and
 to bynde them withall, the best is, great soft rushes, and
 when the grape is clustered, then ye may breake of all such
 bzaunches as is afoze declared, vpon one old bzaunche thre
 or foure heads be ynough, for the more heads your bzaunche
 hath, the worse your grape shalbe nourished, & when ye cut
 of any bzaunche, cut him of hard by or nigh the old bzaunche,
 if your Vine ware olde, the best remedie is: if there grow
 any yong Cion about the roote, ye shal in the Winter, cut of
 the old Vine harde by the ground, or as nigh as ye can, and
 let the yong Vine leade, and he wyl continue a long tyme, if
 ye cover and fyl the place about the roote with good earth a-
 gayne. There is also vpon or by euery cluster of grapes, a
 small Cion lyke a pigges tayle, turning about, which doth
 take away the sappe from the grape, if ye pinche it of harde
 by the stalke of your grape, your fruite shalbe the greater:
 if your Vine ware so ranke and thicke of bzaunches, ye
 shall digge the roote in Winter, and open the earth, and fyl
 it vp againe with sande and ashes blend togyther, & where
 as a Vine is vnfruitfull and doth not beare, ye shall boze a
 hole (with an auger) vnto the hart or pithe, in the bozve or
 thickest part thereof, then put in the sayd hole a smal stone,
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but fyl not the hole close therewith, but so that the sicknesse of the Vine may passe therby. Then lay al about the roote of godd earth mingled with godd dong, and so shal he not be brye fruitfull, but beare wel ener after: or also, to cast of old mens brye or pisse, all about the roote of the barren Vine, and if he were halfe leste or marde, he should grow againe & ware fruitfull as befoze: this is to be done in Winter.

To haue grapes without stones.

FOR to haue Grapes without stones, ye shall take yong plantes or bzaunches, and shall set or plant the toppe or small ende downewarde in the earth, and so ye may sette twos of them togithers for sayling, as I haue afore declared of the others, and those bzaunches shall bring grapes without stones.

To make your Vine to bring a grape to taste lyke Claret.

TO make your Vine to haue a grape to taste lyke Claret Wine, and pleasaunt withall, ye shall boze a hole in the stocke vnto the heart, or pithe thereof, then shall ye make a Leduarie with the pouder of Cloues, of Cinamon, mingled with a lytle fountaine or running water, and fyll the sayde hole therewith, and stop it fast and close with ware, and so binde it fast theron with a linnen cloth, & those grapes shall taste lyke Claret wyne.

Of gathering your Grapes.

AL Grapes that men do cut befoze they are thorow ripe, the Vine shal not be naturall, nor yet shal long endure godd, but if ye wyll cut or gather grapes to haue them godd, and to haue godd wine thereof, ye shall cut them in the full, or some after the full of the Mone, when she is in Cancer, in Leo, in Scorpio, and in Aquarius, the Mone being in the waine, and vnder the earth.

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To knowe if your Grape be ripe
ynough.

For to knowe if your Grape be ripe ynough or not, which ye shall not onely knowe in the taste, but in sight and tast together, as in taste if they be swete and full in eating, and in sight if the Stone wyl soone fall out being chased or brused, which is the best knowledge, and also whether they be white or blew, it is all one matter: the good Grape is he which cometh out all watry, or those which be all clammy as byrd yme: by these signes shall ye knowe when to cutte, being the ripe or not, and whereas you doe presse your Wine, ye must make your place swete and cleane, & your vessels within to be cleane also, and see that they haue strōg heddes, and those persons which doe presse the grape, must looke theyr hands, face and bodye, be cleane washed, when as they goe to pressing the grape, & that no woman be there hauing there termes: and also ye shall eate of no Cheboles, Scallions, Onyons, or Garlyke, Annyseeds, or such lyke, for all strong sauours your Wine wyl deaue the infection thereof, and as soone as your grape is cutte and gathered, ye shall presse your Wine after as soone as ye may, which wyl make your Wine to be moze pleasant and stronger, for the grapes which taryeth long bypresseth, maketh the wine to be smal and yll, ye must see that your vessels be new sayze and swete within, and to be washed with swete water & then wel dyed againe, and to perfume them with Pasticke and such swete vapour, & if your vessell chance not to be swete, then shall ye pitche him on the sydes, which pitch wyl take away all euill and such stinking sauour therein.

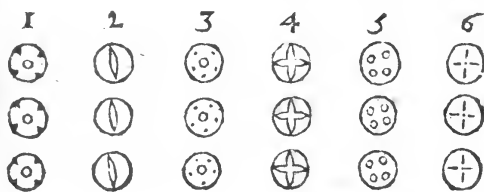
To prooue or taste vvine.

AND whensoever ye wyl prooue or taste any Wine, the beste tyme is, earelye in the moyninge, and take
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with you thre or foure soppes of bread, then dyppe one after another into the wyne, for therein ye shall fynd (if there be any) sharpe taste of the wyne. Thus I leaue (at this present) to speake any further here of the Vine and grape. If this my simple labour be taken in good part (gentle reader) it shall the more hereafter encourage me to set forth another booke more at large, touching the arte of planting and graffing, with other thinges necessary to be knowne.

Here follovyeth the best times howe to order, or choose, and to sette or plant Hoppes.



In this figure ye shall vnderstand the placing and making of the Hoppe hilles, by euery Sypher ouer his heade: the fyrst place is shewed but one pole set in the middes, and the Hoppe beneath: The seconde sheweth howe some doth chape to wne a spade in the myds of the hyll, and therein layes his Hoppe rootes. The third place is shewed, howe other some do set out one pole in the myddes, and the Hoppe rootes at holes put in rounde about. The fourth place sheweth howe some choppers in a spade crosse in the top, and there layes in his rootes. The fyft place sheweth howe some doe set foure poles therein, & putteth the Hoppe round about the hyl. The syxt place sheweth that some vse to make crosse holes in the sydes, & there layes in the Hoppe rootes. Thus many practises haue bene proued good, prouided alwayes y^e pour hylls be of good fatte earth, specially in the myds betwene vnto the
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bottom. This I thought sufficient to shewe by this figure the diuersitie in setting, whercof the laying of the Hoppe is counted the surest way.

THE best and common setting tyme of Hoppes, is from myd Nouember, to myd february. then must ye digge and cleanse the grounde of wades, and myre it well with good molde and fat earth. When deuide your hylles a yarde one from another orderly, in making them a yard a sinder, and two foote and a halfe broade in the bottom, and when that ye plant them, ye shall lay in euery Hyl three or foure rootes, some doe in setting of them lay them crossewysse in the myds of the hyl, and so couers them againe, some settes the rootes in foure partes of the hyl, other some doe make holes rounde about the hilles, and puttes of the rootes therein, and so couers them againe light with earth: of one shoyt roote in a yeaer ye may haue many plants, to set and lay as ye shall see it good, and it shall be sufficient for euery plant, to haue two knottes within the grounde, and one without, some doe choppe a spade crosse in the hyl, and layes in crosse the Hoppe, and so couers it.

To choose your Hoppe.

YE shall chose your rootes best for your Hop, in the Sommer before ye shal plant them, for then ye shal see which beares the Hoppe, for some there is that bynges more, but that which beares chose for your plants, and set of these in your hilles, for so shall ye not be deceyued, and they shall prosper well.

To sowe the seedes.

Some doe holde, that ye maye sowe among other seedes, the seedes of Hoppes, and so wyll encrease and be good to sette, or else to make beddes and sowe them alone, whereby they maye encrease so be set, and when they be strong, ye may remoue and set them in your hilles, and plant them as the other before mencioned.

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The setting your Poles.

The best time is in Aprill, or when your roses be sprong halfe a yarde long or more, then by euery plant or Hop, in your Wylls, ye shall set vp a Pole of. xij. or. xij. foote long, or there aboutes as cause shall requyre, some doe vse to set but foure Poles in euery Wyll. which is thought sufficient, and when ye shall sette them, see that ye sette them so fast that great windes doe not cast them downe.

Howe to proine the tree.

Ye shall marke when the Hoppe doth blozome, and knyf in the top, which shall be perceyued to be the Hop, then take and cutte vp all the reast growing thereaboutes, (not hauing Hop thereon) hard by the earth, that all those which carrie the Hop, myght be the better nourished: thus shall ye doe in Sommer, as ye shal see them encrease and grow, vntyll the tyme of gathering.

To gather the Hop.

A such time asfoze Michelmasse as ye shall see your Hop ware browne, or somewhat yellowe, then he is best to be gathered in a dnye daye, in cutting your Hoppe by the ground, then pluck vp your Pole therewith for shaking of your Hop, so carrie them into some dnye house; and when ye haue so pluckt them, ye shall lay them on bearded lottes, or on hurdels of clothes, that the winde may dnye them, and the ayre, but not in the sunne, for the same wyll take away the strength therof, nor with fyre, for that wyll do lykwise, and ye shal daylyASSE and turne them til they be dnye: to try them when they are dnye, hold them in your hand a space, & if they cleaue togeather when ye open your hande, they are not then dnye: but if they shatter a sunder in opening your hand, then ye may be sure they are dnye ynough. If not, let them remaine, and vse ye them as is before sayde.

Ye shall vnderstand the dymynesse of them is to preserve them and long to last, but if neede be, ye maye occupie them well vnderyed, with lesse position to solve.

VVhat Poles are best.

Ye shall prepare your Poles of such wood as is lyght and styffe, and which wyll not bowe with euery winde, the best and meetest tyme to get them is in Winter, when the sappe is gone downe, and as sone as ye haue taken of your Hoppe, laye your Poles in sundrie places vntyll the nexte spring, whereby they may endure the longer.

Howe to order and dresse your hylles.

After the first yeare is past, your Hoppe being increased to moze plentie of rootes in your hylles, ye shall after Michelmasse euery yeare, open your hylles and cast downe the tops vnto the rootes, vncouering them, and cut awaye all the superfluous rootes, some doth plucke awaye all the rootes that spreades abrode without the hylles, then opens the hyls and puts of good newe earth vnto them, and so couers them againe, which shall keepe them from the frost, & also make the grounde fatte, so shall ye let them remayne vnto the spring of the yeare, in february or March, then againe if ye shall see any superduous rootes, ye maye take them awaye, and cut them by, and your Hop shall be the better, then againe cast by the earth about your hyls, and clenng them from all wades and other rootes, which wyll take away their strength, if the herbes remaine, so let them rest tyll your Poles may be set therein.

Of ground best for your Hop.

The hoppe delygtheth and loueth a good and reasonable fatte grounde, not verie colde, nor yet to moyst, for I haue sene them pꝛoue well in fflaunders, in dyce sandy feldes,

feldes, the Hoppe hilles being of good fat earth, ye may (as some say for great neede, make your Hoppe grow and beare on any kinde of rockie ground, so that your hylles be great and fatte earth, but the lower ground commonly proueth best, so that it stande well and hote in the Sunne.

A note of the rest aboue sayde.

YE shall marke and vnderstande, all this order aboue said, is to haue many hoppes and good, with a few rootes and plantes placed in a small plote of ground. Ye shall vnderstande, the wylde hoppe that groweth in the hedges, is as good to occuppe as the other, to set or plant in any other place, but loke ye take not the barren hoppe to plant, some hoppe wyl be barren for want of good earth, & lacke of dref-
syng, which ye shall perceyue (as I haue tolde you) in the Summer befoze, that when they shoulde beare they wyl be barren, which is for want of good fatte earth, or an unkinde yeare, or lacke of working and good ordering. Therefore such as are minded to bestow labour on the ground, maye haue as good hoppe growing in this countrey, as is in other countreys: but if ye wyl not goe to the cost, to make hoppe yardes, ye maye with a light charge haue hoppes growe in your hedge rowes, to serue as well as the other, and shalbe as good for the quantity as the other in all respects: ye may (for lacke of ground) plante hoppe rootes in hedge rowes, when ye doe quicke sette vp poles by them when time shall requyre in the spring, and to bestowe euery winter after the gathering your hoppe, on euery hyl head, a thouell full of dooing to cosort the earth, for then wyl they beare & more plentie of hoppe the next yeare following: to conclude, you that haue groundes maye well practise in all thinges afoze mentioned, and specially to haue hoppe in this ordering, for your selues and others, also ye shall geue encouragement for other to followe hereafter. I haue hearde by credyble persons, whiche haue knowne a hundreth hylles, (which is

a small plat of grounde , to beare thre hundreth pounce of Hoppe, so that the commodity is much, & the gaynes great: and one pound of our Hoppe dyed and ordered, wyl goe as farre as two pounce of the best Hoppe that cometh from beyond seas. Thus much I thought mete and necessary to wyte, of the ordering and planting of the Hoppe.

Hovve to packe your Hoppes.

When your Hoppes be well tossed and turned on boz-
ded stozes, and well dyed (as I haue afore shewed)
ye shall put them into great sakes according to the quanti-
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may reserue them, and take at your pleasure. Some
dye vse, (which haue but small stozes) to treade
them into dye fattes, and so reserue
them for theyr vse, which
is counted the
better
way and the lesse portion both serue, and wyl
longer keepe theyr vertue
and strength.

Wishing long life and prosperous health,
To all furtherers of this common wealth.

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